Attachment O. Year 4 Accreditation Survey (Survey 4) Invitation Emails

Dear Health Department Director:

We are writing to request your participation in a short survey about the national public health accreditation program, implemented by the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB). The survey is intended for accredited health departments to complete approximately one year prior to the deadline for your reaccreditation application. The survey includes questions about your health department's intent to apply for reaccreditation and short-term outcomes and benefits from accreditation. NORC at the University of Chicago is conducting this survey on behalf of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), to assess the benefits and outcomes of the national public health accreditation program.

The survey is available in an electronic format: LINK

Please follow the instructions on the screen to complete the survey online.

Your participation in the survey is crucial to helping us to better understand your health department's intent to apply for reaccreditation and the benefits, outcomes, and effects of the national accreditation program.

The survey is estimated to take 20 minutes or less to complete. Your open and honest feedback is appreciated. Your participation is voluntary, and you may skip questions or stop the survey at any time without any adverse consequences. Findings from this survey will be included in a report to CDC that may be publicly available. In this report, data or quotations will not be linked to the identity of a particular respondent or organization. For more information about this evaluation, please contact Michael Meit at meit-michael@norc.org. The survey will remain open until DATE.

Sincerely,

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Dear Accreditation Coordinator:

NORC at the University of Chicago is asking accredited health departments that are approaching reaccreditation to participate in a survey about the national public health accreditation program. We are asking that the director of each health department be responsible for providing the answers to this survey. NORC is conducting this survey on behalf of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), to assess the benefits and outcomes of the national public health accreditation program.

We are writing to inform you that we have sent an email to the director of your health department, inviting them to complete the survey. The letter includes a link that provides them access to the online survey. Your health department's participation in the survey is crucial to helping us to better understand

your health department's intent to apply for reaccreditation and the benefits, outcomes, and effects of the national accreditation program.

If you have any questions about this evaluation, please contact Megan Heffernan (Heffernan-megan@norc.org) or the Project Director Michael Meit, MA, MPH at meit-michael@norc.org.

Sincerely, [Name]