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National Institute of Mental Health Intramural Research Program Office of Fellowship Training (OFT) Annual Trainee Survey 2022

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this survey. Your responses will be confidential, and your identity will be secure to the extent permitted by law.

This survey should take ≤ 10 minutes to complete.

All data will be collected by the NIMH Office of Science Policy, Planning, and Communications and reported to the NIMH OFT in the aggregate (e.g., 37% of respondents would recommend training in their lab to a colleague).

Your Information

1a. What is your gender?

- o Female
- o Male
- o Transgender female
- Transgender male
- Another gender identity
- Prefer not to answer

1b. What sex were you assigned at birth?

- Female
- o Male
- Prefer not to answer

2. With which racial category do you most closely identify? (select all that apply)

- □ American Indian or Alaska Native (having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America including Central America—and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment)
- □ Asian American or Asian (having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent)
- □ Black or African American (having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa)
- □ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander (*having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands*)
- □ White (having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa)
- Prefer not to answer

3. With which ethnicity do you identify?

- Hispanic or Latino/a/x
- Not Hispanic or Latino/a/x
- Prefer not to answer

4. Do you have one of the following types of disabilities: hearing difficulty, vision difficulty, cognitive difficulty, ambulatory difficulty, self-care difficulty, or independent living difficulty?

- Yes
- 0 **No**
- o Prefer not to answer

5. Are you a U.S. citizen or permanent resident?

- o Yes
- **No**
- Prefer not to answer

6. You are currently appointed at NIMH as a:

- Student IRTA
- PostbacIRTA
- Predoc IRTA/Graduate Student
- o Postdoc IRTA
- Visiting Fellow (Postdoc)
- o Research Fellow
- o Clinical Fellow
- o Special Volunteer

7. In your current appointment, how long have you been at NIMH?

- \circ Less than 1 year
- \circ 1-3 years
- \circ More than 3 years

Overall Training Experience

8. I rate the quality of my training experience at NIMH as:

- o Excellent
- \circ Very Good
- $\circ \quad \text{Good}$
- o Fair
- o Poor

9a. Please rate your satisfaction with the following aspects of your training experience:

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Not Applicable
Mentoring	0	0	0	0	0	0
Flexibility to work in area of interest	o	0	0	0	0	0
Communication with PI	0	0	0	0	0	0
Communication with day-to- day scientific supervisor (if not PI)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Networking with peers	0	0	0	0	0	0
Networking with NIH PIs and senior scientists	0	0	0	0	0	0
Opportunities for career and professional development	0	ο	0	0	0	0
Opportunities for scientific training	o	0	0	0	0	0
Stipend amount	0	0	0	0	0	0

9b. To elaborate on any of the items above, please use this text box.

10. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements about your overall training experience.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
I would recommend training in my lab to a colleague.	0	0	0	0	0
I would recommend training at NIMH to a colleague.	0	0	0	0	0

Environment

11. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements about your training environment at NIMH.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N/A
My research group has a collegial atmosphere.	0	0	0	ο	ο	0
I have enough space, equipment, computers, etc. to work effectively.	0	0	0	0	0	0
My work site is safe; NIH safety procedures are followed.	0	0	0	0	0	0
I am encouraged to develop my own projects/ideas.	0	0	0	0	0	0
I am encouraged to attend NIH lectures, events, etc.	0	0	0	ο	0	0
My workload is reasonable.	0	0	0	0	0	0
My workload is appropriate to my skill level.	0	0	0	ο	ο	0
I feel like I could raise any concerns about my lab to the NIMH IRP without fear of retribution.	0	0	0	0	0	0
I believe that any concerns I might raise about my lab to the NIMH IRP would be addressed/acted on.	0	0	0	0	0	0

PI/Supervisor Relationship

12. What is the title/position of the person who you consider to be your primary scientific day-to-day supervisor?

- Principal Investigator (PI)
- o Staff Scientist/Staff Clinician
- \circ Postdoc

- Predoc/Graduate Student
- \circ Postbac

13a. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements about your relationship with <u>your primary</u> <u>scientific day-to-day supervisor</u> (as indicated in the previous question).

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
My supervisor is an excellent mentor.	ο	ο	0	ο	0
l find my supervisor approachable.	ο	ο	0	0	0
My supervisor is generally available and responsive when needed.	0	0	0	0	0
My supervisor offers constructive criticism, support, and feedback.	ο	0	0	ο	0
My supervisor helps me attain my research goals.	0	0	0	0	0
My supervisor is encouraging and supportive of me attending career and professional development events.	o	o	0	o	o
My supervisor shows interest in my career plans after my NIMH training has ended.	0	0	0	0	0
My supervisor is encouraging and supportive of me attending scientific meetings within and/or outside NIH.	0	0	0	0	0
My supervisor encourages me to give scientific talks about my research.	ο	0	0	ο	0
My supervisor is helpful in promoting introductions and discussions with other scientists from the field or related fields.	o	0	0	0	o
My supervisor treats me fairly.	0	0	0	0	0

13b. If your primary scientific day-to-day supervisor is not your PI, you may give any feedback about the preceding elements (e.g., mentorship, career development, networking) with respect to your PI in this text box. *[text box]*

NIMH IRP Office of Fellowship Training (OFT)

14. I understand the difference between the NIMH Office of Fellowship Training (OFT) and the NIH Office of Intramural Training and Education (OITE).

- o Yes
- **No**

15. During my fellowship at NIMH, I have felt well-supported by the NIMH IRP Office of Fellowship Training (OFT).

- Strongly agree
- o Agree
- o Neither agree nor disagree
- o Disagree
- o Strongly disagree
- Not Applicable

16. I am aware of the OFT resources that are available to me (e.g., workshops and seminars on: communication, career and professional development topics, and grantsmanship; career guidance discussions with OFT staff; etc.).

- o Yes
- **No**

If yes for 16, then 17-20; if no for 16, skip to 21.

17. I think that the resources provided by the OFT are helpful.

- o Strongly agree
- o Agree
- $\circ \quad \text{Neither agree nor disagree}$
- \circ Disagree
- o Strongly disagree

18. OFT Staff have been responsive to my meeting requests or other inquiries in a timely manner.

- o Strongly agree
- o Agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- o Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Not Applicable

19. I feel that OFT has provided training opportunities specific to my appointment type (i.e., seminars/workshops specific to postbacs, predocs/grad students, postdocs or research/clinical fellows)

- Strongly agree
- o Agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- o Disagree
- Strongly disagree

20. I better understand my career goals and/or job search process because of activities sponsored by the OFT.

- Strongly agree
- o Agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- o Disagree
- $\circ \quad \text{Strongly disagree} \\$
- Not Applicable

21. Are there any services you wish were provided by NIMH OFT? If yes, please explain.

22a. I am aware of the wellness and resilience resources available to me at NIMH and NIH.

- o Yes
- 0 **No**

If yes to 22a

22b. I feel that the wellness and resilience resources available to me at NIMH and NIH are adequate.

- o Strongly agree
- o Agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- o Disagree
- o Strongly disagree

23. Are there additional resources you would like to see offered that would help you handle the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on your career? If yes, please explain.

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Accessibility

24a. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements about the diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility (DEIA) environment in the NIMH IRP.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
I feel as though I belong at the NIMH IRP.	0	0	0	0	0
The NIMH IRP provides a supportive environment for people from groups that are minoritized with respect to their race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, religion, disability status, political affiliation, etc.	0	0	0	0	0
I have been treated differently in the NIMH IRP because of my race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, religion, disability status, political affiliation, etc.	0	0	0	0	o
I feel like I could raise DEIA concerns to the NIMH IRP without fear of retribution.	0	0	0	0	0
I believe that any DEIA concerns I might raise to the NIMH IRP would be addressed/acted on.	0	0	0	0	0

24b. In this space, you can elaborate on your responses above or offer recommendations for advancing diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility in the NIMH IRP.

25. Please share any additional comments about your Fellowship Training experience here at NIMH.