

Attachment #3

MODEL INVITATION LETTER TO PARTICIPATE IN SURVEY

Hello,

The North American Syringe Exchange Network (NASEN), the National Harm Reduction Coalition (NHRC), RTI International, and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) are conducting the **National Survey of Syringe Services Programs (NSSSP)** throughout the United States and its territories and Tribal Nations. The NSSSP is an annual survey of community-based programs whose services are organized around the principle of giving away free drug use supplies, including sterile syringes and other injection-related equipment to reduce harms associated with drug use. Though not a requirement, programs may provide a range of other services to improve the health of people who use drugs, including overdose education and naloxone distribution; drug testing; vaccinations; testing and linkage to medical care; and other social support services.

The purpose of this survey is to document the capacity, needs, access, and service gaps among syringe services programs. We would like the director of your program (or their delegate) to fill out the survey.

The survey takes most programs less than 35 minutes to complete, and we will compensate your organization \$125 for participating. There are about 20 questions for which you will likely need to look up information. For example, there are some questions about funding sources, budget amounts, and others that you might not know off the top of your head. You can access a PDF of the questionnaire and FAQs here [embed links]. We **recommend** reviewing both and gathering the information you need before starting the survey. If you have questions, email [NAME] at [EMAIL].

When you are ready, please send your responses for **[Insert Program Name]** using the following survey link:

[Insert Survey Link]

We greatly appreciate you taking the time out of your busy schedule to respond to the survey. Your responses will contribute to a broader understanding of how best to support programs like yours moving forward.

Thank you for your life-saving work!

Sincerely,

[Survey Team]