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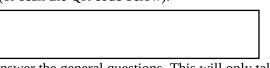
Dear Resident:

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (**HHS**) is conducting a study called the National Survey on Drug Use and Health (**NSDUH**). Through scientific methods, **your address has been randomly chosen for this study** along with 200,000 other addresses nationwide. NSDUH collects data on the use or non-use of alcohol, tobacco and other substances, as well as mental health and other health-related topics.

Your participation in this study is **voluntary** but **important to the nation**. By participating you help ensure vital information is provided to researchers and agencies for education, treatment, and prevention programs. To ensure your privacy, all answers you give are kept **confidential** by federal law<sup>1</sup> and used only for **statistical purposes** – combined with answers from thousands of other study participants, reported only as overall numbers. **Everyone who is selected for and completes the full interview will receive \$30**.

To participate in NSDUH:

- An **adult member** of your household answers a **few general questions online** to determine if zero, one or two household members aged 12 or older may be selected to **complete the full interview**:
  - o Visit <u>https://nsduhweb.rti.org/survey</u> (or scan the QR code below).
  - o Enter your Participant Code:



- Follow the on-screen instructions to answer the general questions. This will only take a few minutes.
- Then, anyone selected to complete the full interview will be provided a unique link to begin that interview from any internet-enabled device (though a desktop or laptop computer is recommended). (Note that parental permission is required before anyone aged 12–17 can participate.)

A professional interviewer from RTI<sup>2</sup> may attempt to contact you in-person to provide more information. During the interviewer's visit, you can also answer the general questions and if selected, complete the full interview in your home, using a laptop computer.

If you are unable to respond online and/or would prefer an in-person visit, have questions or need other assistance, please call us toll-free at 1-800-848-4079. To learn more about the study, please visit <a href="https://nsduhweb.rti.org">https://nsduhweb.rti.org</a>.

Sincerely,

National Study Director, HHS

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<sup>2</sup> RTI International, a nonprofit organization, has been selected to administer this study for



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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Confidentiality is protected by the Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Eff U.S. Congress as part of Section 505 of the Public Health Service Act (42 USC 290aa4). *t* Approval No. 0930-0110)