H.2. Overall Project Summary

**SNAP Work Requirements and E&T Data Study**

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| **What is this study about?** |

The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) is conducting the *SNAP Work Requirements and Employment and Training (E&T) Data Study*. The primary purpose of this study is to identify data and measures for FNS to consider in developing a plan to assess and monitor equity in the administration of work requirements in SNAP and in SNAP E&T administration and access. This project addresses the following objectives:

1. Identify areas in the administration of SNAP work requirements and SNAP E&T programs where equity issues could occur.
2. Identify and describe the data that could be used to assess access and outcomes in the administration of SNAP work requirements and SNAP E&T programs.
3. Describe how State agencies address equity in administering SNAP work requirements and SNAP E&T programs.
4. Develop recommendations on how FNS should assess and measure equity in the administration of SNAP work requirements and SNAP E&T programs.

FNS has contracted with an independent research organization, Westat,to conduct this study. To address this study’s research objectives, the research team will conduct the following data collection activities:

1. **Review and data abstraction of internal State agency documents** related to SNAP work requirements and SNAP E&T programs
2. **Web-based survey** to collect information from all 53 SNAP State agencies
3. **Key informant interviews** with SNAP State agency staff, SNAP E&T providers, and other potential interested parties, such as State Departments of Labor or Indian Tribal organizations

**Public Burden Statement**

This information is being collected to assist the Food and Nutrition Service in examining equity in SNAP work requirements and SNAP Employment and Training. This is a voluntary data collection, and FNS will use the information to understand what data are needed to assess equitable program access and outcomes in SNAP and SNAP Employment and Training. This collection does not request any personally identifiable information under the Privacy Act of 1974. According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0584-XXXX. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 2 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the following address: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Office of Policy Support, 1320 Braddock Place, Alexandria, VA 22314, ATTN: PRA (0584-XXXX). Do not return the completed form to this address.

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| **How will the information I provide be used?** |

This research will culminate in a report providing a framework for data FNS can use to monitor and assess State agencies’ progress toward equity in the future. The information you provide will be kept private to the study team. All interviews will be private, and participants will not be cited by name.



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| **Whom do I contact with questions or for further information?** |

For more information, contact the Westat study team via email at STUDYEMAIL@westat.com or by phone at XXX.XXX.XXXX.

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