



Advance Respondent Letter - Web Mode, Phases 1/2

Dear [RESPONDENT NAME],

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The NSFG survey asks questions about health and health care, plans and experiences related to having children, and other general health behaviors. It lasts about 75 minutes for females and 50 minutes for males. **For teenagers 15-17 years old, it takes about 50 minutes. Survey length varies from person to person,** and you will only be asked questions that apply to you. The information is used to help understand health and health behaviors in the United States. **For your help, you will receive \$60 as a token of appreciation.**

You can complete your NSFG survey online using any internet-enabled device; however, use of a computer or tablet is recommended.

Go online:

- <https://nsfg.cdc.gov>
- Log in using your passcode: <<**FILL passcode**>>

Questions? Please contact the RTI Helpdesk at 800-262-4494 (toll-free) or surveyhelpdesk@rti.org.

If you are unable to complete your survey online by [DATE], one of our interviewers will try to contact you to complete it in person. However, your survey will still be available online if you prefer to complete it that way.

Your participation in this study is voluntary but it is key to the success of the study. Saying yes or no to taking part in the study will not change any benefits you get now or in the future. The NSFG survey is interesting and enjoyable for most people. You were chosen for the NSFG survey and you represent thousands of others across the country.

By federal law*, the answers you give are confidential and we take all possible steps to protect your privacy. Your answers will be used for statistical analyses only. Information is only presented in summary form. Individuals or families cannot be identified. You may choose not to answer any question at any time. You may have questions about your rights as a participant in this study. If so, please call the office of the Ethics Review Board at NCHS, toll free, at 1-800-223-8118. Please leave a brief message with your name and phone number. Say that you are calling about Study Number **2021-07**. Your call will be returned as soon as possible.

The enclosed brochure will help to answer your questions about the study and provides contact information for the NCHS study team. You can also learn more at the NSFG website: www.cdc.gov/nchs/nsfg/.

I thank you for your help with this influential study.

Sincerely,

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Advance Respondent Letter - Web Mode, Phase 3

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We are asking your help to find a convenient time for you to talk with the RTI interviewer working in your area. Interviewers work seven days a week, including evenings. Please help us by calling RTI's toll-free number, 800-262-4494, to set up an appointment. **When the interviewer visits you to conduct the interview, you will receive \$100 as a token of appreciation.**

You also have the option to complete your NSFG survey online instead of having an interviewer visit you. **You will still receive \$100 as a token of appreciation if you choose to access your survey online.** You can complete your NSFG survey online using any internet-enabled device; however, use of a computer or tablet is recommended. **Complete the survey by web or in-person by [DATE].**

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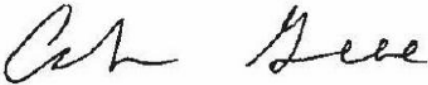
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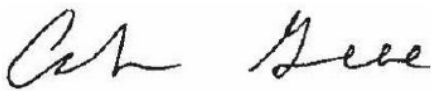
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