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Subject: SC NFCSP SUA Survey

Attachments: NFCSP SUA Survey.pdf

Dear Tony Kester,

Thank you for taking the time to complete this very important survey on your state's caregiver program. The information you provide is an essential part of the Administration for Community Living's (ACLs) first national evaluation of the Title III-E National Family Caregiver Support Program (NFCSP). State Units on Aging (SUAs) play a vital role in overseeing programs and services provided to caregivers in their local areas. ACL has partnered with The Lewin Group (Lewin) to gather and analyze information about the efforts of the Aging Network to support caregivers who have a significant impact on older adults, their families, employers, and entire communities.

We highly encourage all SUAs to join us in this important effort. Please forward this email survey invitation to the person(s) in your organization most familiar with your caregiver programs and services.

Survey Preparation

The survey asks a few questions about the characteristics of your caregiver programs and your SUA. Before you begin it may be helpful to gather the following information:

- 1) Estimated number of unduplicated consumers who received caregiver services from your SUA in your most recent fiscal year.
- 2) Estimated number of unduplicated grandparents 55+ caring for grandchildren and receiving caregiver services in your most recent fiscal year.
- 3) Total amount of expenditures in your SUA in the most recent fiscal year.
- 4) Amount of expenditures on Title III-E (National Family Caregiver Support Program) in the most recent fiscal year.
- 5) NFCSP Waiting List information (number of people on the waiting list for each NFCSP service, as applicable).
- 6) NFCSP Services cap information.
- 7) Top three supplemental services for caregivers of older adults and grandparent caregivers who care for grandchildren.

Time to Complete

Completing the survey should take about 90 minutes. We recommend that you review the attached PDF with your team, as necessary. Filling the survey out on paper prior to submission may reduce the time it takes to complete the full survey.

Confidentiality

Your responses will remain confidential among ACL and the Lewin research team and your answers will not be reported in a way that can identify your agency.

Deadline

The deadline for completion of the surveys is March 12, 2015. A series of reminders will be sent if you have not completed the survey.

Survey Link and Instructions

Your state's unique SUA NFCSP survey link is: https://www.research.net/s.aspx?sm=NmiQRFWuKj_2bAlc_2fMrZxZJQ_3d_3d.

You can stop and restart this survey at any time. Use of your unique SUA survey link will keep track of where you last filled out the survey. Just make sure to click "Next" at the bottom of each page to save your answers on that page.

You can forward this link to other members of your team and the survey will pick up on the page from which you ended. However, we recommend sending the PDF version to your team and having one person fill out the online survey.

If you are using HIPAA-compliant internet access, your server may log you off after a period of inactivity. Save your work periodically, especially if you step away from your computer, by clicking "next" to get to the next page. Otherwise, your work may be lost.

Contact Us

If you have questions about completing the survey, please contact us by email at nfcsp@lewin.com or by phone. You can contact Cindy Gruman at 703-269-5506 or Ashley Tomisek at 703-269-5632.

Thank you in advance for your support!

Sincerely,

Cindy Gruman

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