



Dear Resident:

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is conducting a study called the National Survey on Drug Use and Health. This study asks questions about use or non-use of alcohol, tobacco and other substances. The study also asks about mental health and other health-related topics relevant for all people. Since 1971, this information has been used by local, state and national agencies for planning and providing treatment and prevention programs.

Your address was randomly chosen, through scientific methods, along with almost 200,000 others across the country. RTI International, a nonprofit organization, was selected to conduct this study. Soon, an RTI interviewer will be in your neighborhood to give you more information. The interviewer will carry an identification card like the example shown below.

First, the interviewer will ask a few general questions. Then the interviewer may ask one or two members of your household to complete the full interview. It is possible no one will be chosen to be interviewed. **If anyone is chosen and completes the full interview, he or she will receive \$30 in cash.**

By Federal law\*, the answers you give will be kept confidential and will be used only for statistical purposes.

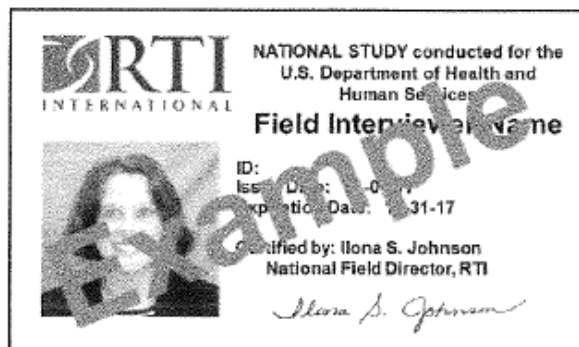
Please share this information with any others in your household. Feel free to ask the interviewer any questions you have about this study. More information is also available on the study website at: <http://nsduhweb.rti.org> or you may contact us at 1-800-848-4079.

Your help is very important to this study's success. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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## Study Description

Your address is one of several in this area randomly chosen for the 2017 National Survey on Drug Use and Health. This study, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, collects information for research and program planning by asking about:

- tobacco, alcohol, and drug use or non-use,
- knowledge and attitudes about drugs,
- mental health, and
- other health issues.

You cannot be identified through any information you give us. Your name and address will never be connected to your answers. Also, federal law requires us to keep all of your answers confidential. Any data that you provide will only be used by authorized personnel for statistical purposes according to the Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002.

The screening questions take just a few minutes. If anyone is chosen, the interview will take about an hour. You can refuse to answer any questions, and you can quit at any time. **Each person who is chosen and completes the interview will receive \$30 in cash.**

If you have questions about the study, call the Project Representative at 1-800-848-4079. If you have questions about your rights as a study participant, call RTI International's Office of Research Protection at 1-866-214-2043 (a toll-free number). You can also visit our project website: <http://nsduhweb.rti.org/> for more information.

Thank you for your cooperation and time.

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Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)  
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

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