

BUILDING A STRONG PARTNERSHIP WITH CDC

Surveys Fit for Purpose Contract Option Offers Broad Range of Public Health Research



RTI International has worked with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) since our founding in 1958. Recent collaborations include the National Survey of Residential Care Facilities and the National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey. Current contract options include the Surveys Fit for Purpose Blanket Purchasing Agreement (BPA). This option provides CDC with the opportunity to partner with RTI to conduct research that addresses emerging issues and gathers unique and timely data in the field of public health. To date, several task order contracts have been awarded under this option, strengthening a partnership of shared interests and missions.

Monitoring and Evaluating the Nation's Public Health and Prevention Programs: Surveys Fit for Purpose

Under this BPA, RTI provides CDC with services to assist in developing and conducting

- Fit-for-purpose surveys to support CDC-supported public health programs not currently supported by large national and state-based probability surveys, such as the National Health Interview Survey, Behavioral Risk Factors Surveillance Survey or National Immunization Survey
- Operational methods studies focused on improving the use and utility of probability and nonprobability surveys to support public health programs
- Technical assistance on survey development and methods to design new public health surveys or refine existing ones
- Recruitment for and maintenance of survey panels of persons willing to participate in future public health surveys.

Contracts Awarded to RTI Under Surveys Fit for Purpose BPA

Survey to Monitor Early-Season Influenza Vaccination Coverage in the U.S. Adult Population During the 2014–2015 Influenza Season (National Internet Flu Survey)

The National Internet Flu Survey (NIFS) collects data to measure early-season influenza vaccination coverage rates and to assess knowledge, attitudes, behaviors, and barriers related to influenza vaccinations in the U.S. adult population. RTI and CDC developed a questionnaire and implemented a web-based survey of noninstitutionalized U.S. adults to provide CDC with timely estimation of influenza vaccination coverage across subgroups of the U.S. adult population at the midpoint of the annual flu season. Contract option years were exercised for this project, facilitating continuance of the NIFS through the 2015–2016 and forthcoming flu seasons.

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Feasibility Analysis of a Community Public Health Policies and Practices Survey

The development of a community-level public health policy and practices survey advances CDC's mission to promote public health and prevent chronic disease. The Community Health Policy Implementation Assessment (CHPIA) survey complements similar surveys in school and work-place environments and provides CDC with tools for a comprehensive surveillance system of local public health policies and practices. The CHPIA survey will collect data from county health departments on their involvement in policies and practices that promote chronic disease prevention and health promotion at the community level.

Estimating the Cost to Vaccinate Children and Adults in Public and Private Settings

The goal of this study is to provide CDC, other policymakers, and health care providers with estimates of the cost of vaccination for children and adults that take into account the dimensions of provider setting and patient population. RTI is achieving this goal by conducting a time motion cost study of vaccination activities at vaccination provider settings.

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