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Dear Facility Director:

In early April, you will receive a packet from Mathematica Policy Research, Princeton, NJ, for the 2018 **National Survey of Substance Abuse Treatment Services (N-SSATS)**. This is an annual survey sponsored by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA).

The 2018 N-SSATS collects data from all substance abuse treatment facilities in the United States and its territories/jurisdictions. The information you provide will assist SAMHSA, State and local governments, and the public in assessing and analyzing the nature and extent of services provided in substance abuse treatment facilities and in planning for treatment demands, as well as in finding treatment.

**Important information about the 2018 N-SSATS:**

- *No* client count questions this year
- **Most** questions are prefilled if you completed the 2017 N-SSATS
- If eligible, your facility can choose to be listed, at no cost, in the online treatment locator (<https://findtreatment.samhsa.gov>)
- Preview the questionnaire at <https://info.nssats.com>

The packet to arrive in early April will include instructions for completing the questionnaire online, through a secure password-protected website. If your facility no longer provides substance abuse treatment services or if you have any questions about the survey, please call the N-SSATS helpline at 1-888-324-8337.

We look forward to your participation in the 2018 N-SSATS!

Sincerely,

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**Note:** *If your organization offers treatment services at more than one location, you may receive a duplicate letter for another facility at another location. The N-SSATS is designed to collect information about a single facility at a single location, that is, the facility whose name and address is indicated on the envelope.*