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Dear Facility Director:

I am writing to request your participation in the 2018 **National Survey of Substance Abuse Treatment Services (N-SSATS)**. This annual survey, sponsored by the Federal government's Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) and conducted by Mathematica Policy Research, collects data from all known substance abuse treatment facilities in the United States and its jurisdictions.

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

- *No* client count questions this year
- **Most** questions prefilled if you completed the 2017 N-SSATS
- More ways to complete the web survey: **computer, tablet, smartphone**
- 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> or log onto the survey and choose the preview option

**We need your participation in the N-SSATS.** 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. Your participation will also assist those in need, as well as members of their families, in finding treatment.

**Why should I do the N-SSATS today?**

- You will be done for the year and won't be contacted again about completing the N-SSATS until next year's survey
- Secure login information is readily accessible on the enclosed pink flyer

Even if your facility no longer provides substance abuse treatment services we still need to hear from you! Please go to the online survey and answer a few quick questions or call the helpline at 1-888-324-8337 to let us know.

The survey should be completed by you or another person knowledgeable about this facility's daily operations. If you have any questions about the survey, please feel free to call the N-SSATS helpline at **1-888-324-8337** or send an email to [nssatsweb@mathematica-mpr.com](mailto:nssatsweb@mathematica-mpr.com).

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

Sincerely,

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*Note: The N-SSATS questionnaire is designed to collect information about a single facility at a single location, that is, the facility whose name and address is printed on the enclosed pink flyer. Even if your organization offers treatment services at more than one location, **please complete this online questionnaire for this location only.***