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Researcher: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Health Interest Survey**

# Background Information

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| Name: |  | Pseudonym: |  |
| School: |  | Grade: |  |
| Please circle: | Boy Girl | Birthdate (mm/dd/yy): |  |
| Race (circle all that apply): | American Indian or Alaska Native  Asian  Other: | Black or African-American  Hispanic or Latino | Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander  White |
| Who do you live with? (circle all that apply) Mom Dad Grandparent Other (please list): | | | |
| Where are your parents from?  What language do you tend to speak at home? | | What does your dad do for work?  What does your mom do for work? | |
| Did your mom graduate from high school? Yes No From college? Yes No  Did your dad graduate from high school? Yes No From college? Yes No | | | |
| What would you like to be when you grow up (for example, teacher, doctor, racecar driver)? | | | |
| Are you taking a health class at school?   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Yes | No | | | How many **working** computers are in your home?   |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 or more | | |
| Do you own a cell phone?   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Yes | No | | | How many computers at home can access the Internet?   |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 or more | | |
| Do you ever use a cell phone, iPod, or other mobile device to access the Internet?   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Yes | No | | | | |
| How often [always, often, sometimes, rarely, or never] do you access the Internet *from home* using: | | | |
| A desktop computer? | | A laptop? | |
| A phone? | | A tablet? | |
| How good are you at using the internet?   |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Not good at all | Not very good | OK | Pretty good | Very good | | | | |

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| **Learning about Health** | | | | Please circle the best answer | | |
| How would you rate your knowledge about health-related topics? | VERY BAD | NOT VERY GOOD | OK | | GOOD | VERY GOOD |
| How interested are you in learning more about health-related topics? | NOT AT ALL | NOT REALLY | A LITTLE | | SOME | VERY |
| How often do you look for health-related information? | NEVER | A FEW TIMES A MONTH | A FEW TIMES A WEEK | | ALMOST EVERY DAY | EVERY DAY |

# Sources of Health Information

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| What do you think is the most useful source of health information? Circle two or three: |
| |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Books | Magazines | Brochures / Pamphlets | Radio | | Television | Internet | Libraries | Doctors | | Nurses | Family Members | Friends | Librarians | | Government Health Agencies | Churches / Religious Organizations | Other: |  | |
| Why do you think this source is most useful? |

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| Have you ever used the Internet to look up health-related information?   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Yes (on my own) | Yes (but only with someone else) | No | |

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| If you have, did you start with a search engine? | Yes | No |
| If you started with a search engine, what search engine did you use (circle)?   |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Google | Bing | Yahoo! | Ask Jeeves | AOL | Other: | |  | |
| If you did not use a search engine, what website did you go to? | | |
| How did you learn about this website?   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | From my family | From a nurse or doctor | From my teacher | | From a librarian | From a magazine | Other: | | | |
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| **Health Literacy** | No Experience | Poor | Fair | Good | Very Good | Excellent |
| How good are you at finding the health information you need? | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| How well do you understand health information? | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| When you find health-related information, how well can you tell if it can be trusted or not? | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| When you find health-related information, how well can you tell if it applies to you or not? | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| How good are you at applying health-related information in your own life? | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |

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| **About Your Health** | | | | Please circle the best answer | | |
| How is your health? | POOR | FAIR | GOOD | | VERY GOOD | EXCELLENT |
| How interested are you in working to maintain or improve your health? | NOT AT ALL | NOT REALLY | A LITTLE | | SOMEWHAT | VERY |
| How much do you think you can control your health? | NOT AT ALL | NOT REALLY | A LITTLE | | SOMEWHAT | VERY MUCH |

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| **Trust in Government** |
| How would you define “government”? |
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| What is a government agency? If you can, give an example. |
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| What is a government website? If you can, give an example. |
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| Who is the President of the United States? |
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The following questions ask about your opinions. Fill in the bubble to show how much you agree or disagree with each statement.

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| **Your Opinion** | Strongly Disagree | Disagree | Uncertain | Agree | Strongly Agree |
| The government really cares what people like my family and I think. | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| In general, elected officials (e.g., senators, members of city council, governor, president) cannot be trusted. | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Basically, people get fair treatment in America, no matter who they are. | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| In America you have an equal chance no matter where you come from or what race you are. | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |
| Most people can be trusted. | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ | ⭘ |