

POMP 5
SENIOR CENTER SURVEYS
NOTE TO DATA COLLECTORS
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As part of a larger research effort, you have been asked to administer survey instruments designed for senior center participants as well as administrators. The purpose of the following instructions is to guide you in selecting the appropriate forms to administer to each respondent group.

Participant Survey Instruments: Core and Optional

There are two participant survey instruments: core and optional. The core is administered to every participant in the survey, and contains questions about participation in activities, as well as some basic demographic information. The optional questions are asked at the discretion of the agency sponsoring the survey. You need to ask the sponsoring agency whether or not the optional questions need to be completed by the senior center participants in your survey.

Descriptors Survey

A senior center administrator needs to complete a Descriptors Survey instrument. Each administrator needs to complete one copy of the Descriptors Survey for her senior center. Thus if you are collecting participant data from five senior centers, you only need five completed descriptor surveys. The information collected by this survey will provide basic information about the senior center to assist in interpreting the information collected from senior center participants.