

## **DEPT. OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**



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To: Individuals & Families:

I am excited that Nebraska will be participating in the 2018-19 National Core Indicator (NCI) Project for a third year. NCI is a collaborative effort between the Human Services Research Institute (HSRI) and the National Association of State Directors of Developmental Disabilities Services (NASDDDS). The project assists developmental disabilities agencies with measuring and tracking their own performance related to service delivery and comparing that performance with other states.

What does this mean for you? The Nebraska Developmental Disabilities Division is partnering with the University of Nebraska Medical Center, Munroe-Meyer Institute to conduct the <u>Adult In Person Survey</u>. Respondents are picked randomly. The survey focuses on questions regarding the quality of life and outcomes of adults (18 and older) receiving services and supports from state-funded programs. This survey will be a face-to-face conversation with a trained interviewer.

If you are contacted by Munroe-Meyer, we hope <u>you</u> will be willing to set up a time to meet and provide <u>your</u> feedback about your services.

Please note the following:

- Participation is voluntary
- You can have someone assist you with the survey.
- Your decision whether or not to participate will not affect the services you receive.
- The interview takes approximately 30-45 minutes
- All responses are confidential.
- Guardians may be present during the survey. Some questions can only be answered by the person receiving services directly, however, guardians or another proxy can answer some of the questions.
- Service Coordinators are not allowed to answer questions.

Please direct any questions you may have to Brad Wilson, Program Manager, Nebraska NCI Coordinator at (402)471-8501 or at <a href="mailto:Brad.Wilson@Nebraska.gov">Brad.Wilson@Nebraska.gov</a>.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

Sincerely,

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