

National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey

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Dear Supervisor Randall:

The National Center for Health Statistics, part of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, is conducting the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES), a major study of the health of persons living in the United States. Clinton County, New York has been randomly selected as one of the survey locations.

For more than 60 years, NHANES data has been used to monitor the health and nutritional status of US residents of all ages. Recent uses include measuring obesity prevalence among children and adults and the decline in HPV infections. Data are collected through household interviews and standardized medical examinations in our mobile examination center. The enclosed fact sheet describes NHANES in more detail.

NHANES staff will be conducting the survey in Clinton County starting **May 25, 2023 through July 29, 2023**. Approximately, 591 people from Clinton County will be asked to participate in the survey. Interviewers will be calling on selected households throughout the area.

NHANES is following recommended CDC guidelines to keep survey staff and participants safe. For more information, please refer to the enclosed COVID-19 Safety Flyer. We have also enclosed a confidentiality brochure detailing the lengths that we take to secure the data. This information can also be found online at www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhanes.htm.

It is important for us to assure you and county residents that NHANES is a legitimate, federally funded, national survey that has significant influence on our nation's health policy. We want you to be aware of our current activities so you will be better able to answer any inquiries you may receive about the survey. We are informing the appropriate state and local government officials of the county and local governments and medical societies about this survey. We are also informing all the law enforcement officials in the area.

