Sample Demographics Questionnaire   
for Focus Group Participants

Attached is a sample demographics questionnaire you may want to use in order to be able to describe the aggregate characteristics and diversity of focus group participants. The information can be used as context in presenting focus group results and will help meet the legislative needs assessment requirement for particular attention to “disparities in access and services among affected populations and historically underserved communities”   
*[Legislation, Section 2601(b)(4)(B)(ii)]*.

Ask only those questions you feel are appropriate and necessary, based on your focus group target populations and topics. Some questions may be viewed as sensitive and may not always be needed. Collect only data you need to help the PC/PB understand group responses and be confident that the focus groups were diverse, with high-need subpopulations well represented.

Questionnaire for Focus Group Participants

*Note:* Information from this questionnaire will be kept anonymous, used only when combined with information from other participants. Your name will not be on it. If you feel uncomfortable answering any question, leave it blank.

1. **Gender Identity**

* + Female
  + Male
  + Transgender (M to F)
  + Transgender (F to M)
  + Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. **Age**

* + 13 to 17
  + 18 to 24
  + 25 to 34
  + 35 to 44
  + 45 to 54
  + 55 to 64
  + 65 or older

3. **Racial/ethnic background**

* + African American/Black
  + Asian or Pacific Islander
  + Hispanic/Latinx
  + White non-Hispanic
  + American Indian/Alaska Native
  + Mixed Race
  + Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. **Where are you living now?**

* + Own house/condo
  + Rent/house/apartment
  + Move around – family, friends
  + Halfway house or temporary housing
  + Homeless shelter
  + Homeless
  + Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **How many people live in your household?**

* 1 (myself)
* 2
* 3-4
* 5-7
* 8 or more

6. **Country of birth**

* + U.S.
  + Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

7. **Preferred language?**

* English
* Spanish
* Other\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**8. How long have you lived in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?**

* + Less than 1 year
  + 1-3 years
  + 4-9 years
  + 10-19 years
  + 20 or more years

9. **Sexual orientation**

* Heterosexual/straight
* Gay/Lesbian
* Bisexual
* Transgender
* Questioning
* Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

10. **Highest level of education completed**

* + 8th grade or less
  + Some high school
  + High school degree or GED
  + Some college
  + Associate (2-year) degree
  + Bachelor’s (4-year) graduate
  + Graduate work or degree

11. **Current employment status**

* + Employed full-time
  + Employed part-time
  + Unemployed/looking for work
  + Full-time student
  + Disabled
  + Retired
  + Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

12. **Annual household income**

* + Less than $10,000
  + $10,000 to $19,999
  + $20,000 to $39,999
  + $40,000 to $59,999
  + $60,000 to $79,999
  + $80,000 or more