TRANSITION TO PARENTHOOD BASELINE SURVEY: PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Task:

Administer a 15-minute telephone interview to a sample of Oklahoma couples that are funding the birth of their child through Medicaid (married as well as unmarried couples). Interviews will be conducted with both the mother and father of the baby.

There are approximately 2,000 certified pregnant women receiving Medicaid funded prenatal services each month in Oklahoma. In conjunction with the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, OK-DHS will draw a random sample of women, aged 18-45, that received prenatal services/visits during a recent three month period. We plan to interview 500 of these mothers and 300 corresponding fathers. Mothers will receive a pre-notification letter in the mail inviting them to participate in the study, with the option of calling in to the survey center to complete the interview. Outbound calls will be made to these mothers following the mailing. At the end of the interview, mothers will be asked to provide the fathers' contact information, and then outbound calls will be made to include them in the study. While the prenatal services allow us to have direct contact information for all mothers, we expect a reduced participation by fathers in the study as we must rely on a secondary and voluntary source for gathering his contact information.

The Medicaid data provided by OK-DHS will tell us which county the mother resides in, and therefore we will know the urban/rural mix of our sample.

Objectives of the project:

- 1. Describe demographic qualities/characteristics of Oklahoma mothers and fathers having babies funded by Medicaid (i.e., who they are in order to design services for them).
- 2. Gather information on relationship quality (i.e., the quality of the relationship between the mother and the father of the baby).
- 3. Explore why couples have made the choice to be or not be married.
- 4. Explore couples perceptions about birth as a family formation event.
- 5. Assess interest and motivation in attending marriage/relationship education classes (i.e., Will they come to relationship education classes?).
- 6. Determine what intervention/family support services these couples are currently receiving.
- 7. Assess what type of intervention/family support services couples might need during this transition.

To develop the draft of this instrument, we relied on the following existing instruments¹:

- (1) BSF (Building Strong Families) Planning Survey (prepared by Mathematica Policy Research, Inc.)
- (2) Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing Study Mother's Baseline Survey (public use version)
- (3) OMI SBS (Oklahoma Marriage Initiative Statewide Baseline Survey)
- (4) TANF Questionnaire on Relationships (developed by Scott Stanley and Kathy Edin)
- (5) Items developed for this project

The survey instrument has been reviewed in various forms, and input has been provided by the Oklahoma Marriage Initiative (OMI) Research Advisory Group, OMI leadership, Mathematica Policy Research, MDRC², and the OK-DHS Office of Planning, Policy, and Research.

There are two versions of the survey instrument; one developed for mothers (500 respondents), and one developed fathers (300 respondents). In addition, we plan to administer the survey in Spanish to a supplemental random sample of 75 mothers served at Variety Health Center in Oklahoma City. Screening questions at the beginning of the survey will identify couples who will not be asked to complete the interview, (i.e., mothers and fathers that have no relationship with each other, and mothers who cannot identify the fathers).

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¹ On the instrument, the values in parentheses indicate the source of the question as noted here.

² A nonprofit, nonpartisan social policy research organization

As an incentive for completing the full interview, mothers will be paid 15 (or 20 if the baby's father also completes the father interview), and the fathers will be paid 15.

TRANSITION TO PARENTHOOD BASELINE SURVEY: MOTHER QUESTIONNAIRE

ABOUT THE PREGNANCY AND THE BABY'S FATHER

A1 (2 modified)

Are you currently married to the baby's father, yes or no?

1 Yes (includes common law marriage or presenting themselves to others as married)

2 No

9 Refused

A2 (2 modified)

<If A1 = 2> (If not married to baby' father)

Please tell me which statement best describes your CURRENT relationship with the baby's father. Are you currently romantically involved in a serious steady relationship, are you in an "on-again and off-again" relationship, are you just friends, do you hardly ever talk to each other, or do you never talk to each other?

1 Romantically involved in a serious steady relationship (consider themselves "boyfriend and girlfriend")

- 2 In an "on-again" and "off-again" relationship
- 3 Just friends
- 4 Hardly ever talk to each other → Skip to co-parenting question and then Thank2
- 5 Never talk to each other → Skip to co-parenting question and then Thank2
- 6 Mother does not know who father is → Skip to Thank2
- 9 Refused

A3 (5 *Different in father version)

How many weeks along were you at your first prenatal visit?

RANGE: 1-40 WEEKS

77 Not applicable – haven't had first prenatal visit

88 Don't know

99 Refused

A4 (5)

<If A3 <> 77> (If mother has had at least one prenatal visit)

How often does the baby's father go with you to prenatal visits? Is that always or almost always, sometimes, rarely, or never?

- 1 Always or almost always
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely
- 4 Never
- 9 Refused

A5 (5)

Did this pregnancy occur sooner than expected, at the right time, or later than expected?

- 1 Sooner than expected (or not expected at all)
- 2 At the right time
- 3 Later than expected
- 9 Refused

A6 (1)

<If A1 = 1> (If married to baby's father)

When did you marry in relation to the pregnancy? Was it before you got pregnant, after you got pregnant, or after the baby was born?

- 1 Before you got pregnant
- 2 After you got pregnant
- 3 After the baby was born
- 9 Refused

A7 (1)

How many children have YOU ever had, if any? Include all children that were born alive at any time. Include children by the baby's father as well as those you had from a previous marriage or relationship. Do NOT include your current pregnancy.

RANGE: 0-10 CHILDREN

99 Refused

A8 (1)

How many children does the BABY'S FATHER have, if any? Include all children that were born alive at any time. Include children by you and as well as those he had from a previous marriage or relationship.

Do NOT include your current pregnancy.

RANGE: 0-10 CHILDREN

88 Don't' know

99 Refused

A9 (1)

How many children BESIDES this pregnancy do you and the baby's father have TOGETHER? Include all children that were born alive at any time. Do NOT include your current pregnancy.

RANGE: 0-10 CHILDREN

99 Refused

MOTHER'S RELATIONSHIP WITH BABY'S FATHER

B1 (2)

Now I'd like to ask some questions about your relationship with the baby's father.

How long did you know each other before you got pregnant?

0 = LESS THAN 1 YEAR

RANGE: 1-30 YEARS (Round DOWN)

99 Refused

B2 (2 modified)

<If B1 = 0> (If less than one year)

How many months did you know each other before you got pregnant?

RANGE: 1-11 MONTHS (Round DOWN)

99 Refused

Mothers <u>not</u> romantically involved with baby's father

B3 (5)

 \langle If A2 = 2 or 3 \rangle (Mothers not romantically involved with baby's father)

Did you and the baby's father EVER have a romantic relationship, yes or no?

1 Yes

2 No →Skip to co-parenting question and then Thank2

9 Refused

B4 1 (5)

<If A2 = 2 or 3> (Mothers not romantically involved with baby's father) and

<If B3 = 1> (Mothers romantically involved at some point with baby's father)

Why did your romantic relationship with the baby's father end? I'll read a list of reasons, and you can say 'yes' or 'no' to each.

You were too young to be in a romantic relationship? (one of them or both too young)

1 Yes

2 No

9 Refused

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B4_2(2)
\langleIf A2 = 2 or 3\rangle (Mothers not romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B3 = 1> (Mothers romantically involved at some point with baby's father)
Financial reasons, such as you didn't have work or money?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B4 3 (2)
\langle \text{If A2} = 2 \text{ or } 3 \rangle (Mothers not romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B3 = 1> (Mothers romantically involved at some point with baby's father)
Distance – you didn't live in the same town?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B4 4 (2 modified)
<If A2 = 2 or 3> (Mothers not romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B3 = 1> (Mothers romantically involved at some point with baby's father)
One of you was in jail or prison?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B4 5 (2 modified)
<If A2 = 2 or 3> (Mothers not romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B3 = 1> (Mothers romantically involved at some point with baby's father)
Relationship reasons, such as you didn't get along, you were not in love, you were just friends, you didn't
know each other well enough, or you were too different?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B4_6(2)
\langle \text{If A2} = 2 \text{ or } 3 \rangle (Mothers not romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B3 = 1> (Mothers romantically involved at some point with baby's father)
Because of an alcohol or drug problem?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B4 7 (5)
<If A2 = 2 or 3> (Mothers not romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B3 = 1> (Mothers romantically involved at some point with baby's father)
You couldn't trust him to be faithful to you?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B4 8 (2)
<If A2 = 2 or 3> (Mothers not romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B3 = 1> (Mothers romantically involved at some point with baby's father)
Because of violence or abuse?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
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B4 9 (2 modified)
<If A2 = 2 or 3> (Mothers not romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B3 = 1> (Mothers romantically involved at some point with baby's father)
You or the baby's father was in another relationship or married?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B4 10(2)
<If A2 = 2 or 3> (Mothers not romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B3 = 1> (Mothers romantically involved at some point with baby's father)
Because of the pregnancy?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B4_11 (5)
<If A2 = 2 or 3> (Mothers not romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B3 = 1> (Mothers romantically involved at some point with baby's father)
Because he was unfaithful to you?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
*All mothers*
B5 (2)
Are you and the baby's father living together now, yes or no?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
*Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father*
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father)
Do you and the baby's father have plans to marry in the future, yes or no?
1 Yes
2 No
8 Don't know
9 Refused
B7 1 (2 modified)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 =2> (No plans to marry baby's father)
What are the reasons you and the baby's father are NOT planning to get married? I'll read a list of reasons
and you can say 'yes' or 'no' to each.
There is no need to marry, since you are already a couple it's just like you are married?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B7_2 (2 modified)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 =2> (No plans to marry baby's father)
You don't approve of marriage?
1 Yes
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2 No
9 Refused
B7 3 (2 modified)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 =2> (No plans to marry baby's father)
You are too young for marriage?
                                           (either person)
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B7 4(2)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 2> (No plans to marry baby's father)
It's not the right time? For example, you haven't set a date; you are waiting for the baby, for a divorce, or
for graduation; or a timing issue with planning the wedding?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B7 5 (2)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 2> (No plans to marry baby's father)
Financial reasons? For example, not working, money, or can't afford a wedding?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B7_6 (2)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 2> (No plans to marry baby's father)
One of you is in jail or prison?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B7 7 (2)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 2> (No plans to marry baby's father)
Housing reasons? For example you don't have a place to live?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B7 8 (2)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 2> (No plans to marry baby's father)
Relationship reasons, such as you argue too much, or you don't see eye to eye on things?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B7 9 (2)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 2> (No plans to marry baby's father)
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Because of an alcohol or drug problem?

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1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B7 10 (5)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 2> (No plans to marry baby's father)
You can't trust him to be faithful to you?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B7 11 (2)
\langle \text{If A2} = 1 \rangle (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 2> (No plans to marry baby's father)
Because of violence or abuse?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B7 12 (2)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 2> (No plans to marry baby's father)
You or the baby's father is in another relationship or married?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B7_13 (2)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 2> (No plans to marry baby's father)
Because he was unfaithful to you?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B8_1 (2 modified)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 =1> (Yes - plans to marry baby's father)
What are the reasons you and the baby's father are NOT married now? I'll read a list of reasons and you
can say 'yes' or 'no' to each.
You are too young?
                                   (either person)
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B8 2 (2 modified)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 1> (Yes - plans to marry baby's father)
It's not the right time? For example, you haven't set a date; you are waiting for the baby, for a divorce, or
for graduation; or a timing issue with planning the wedding?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B8_3(2)
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<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 1> (Yes - plans to marry baby's father)
Financial reasons? For example, not working, money, or can't afford a wedding?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B8_4(2)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 1> (Yes - plans to marry baby's father)
One of you is in jail or prison?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B8 5 (2)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 1> (Yes - plans to marry baby's father)
Housing reasons? For example you don't have a place to live?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B8 6 (2)
\langle \text{If A2} = 1 \rangle (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 1> (Yes - plans to marry baby's father)
You have relationship issues to work on; for example, you argue too much, or you don't see eye to eye on
things?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B8 7 (2)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 1> (Yes - plans to marry baby's father)
Because of an alcohol or drug problem?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B8_8 (5)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 1> (Yes - plans to marry baby's father)
You can't trust him to be faithful to you?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B8 9 (2)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 1> (Yes - plans to marry baby's father)
Because of violence or abuse?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
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B8_10(2)
\langle \text{If A2} = 1 \rangle (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 1> (Yes - plans to marry baby's father)
You or the baby's father is in another relationship or married?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
B8_11 (2)
<If A2 = 1> (Mothers are romantically involved with baby's father) and
<If B6 = 1> (Yes - plans to marry baby's father)
Because he was unfaithful to you?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
*Mothers married to baby's father*
B9_1 (2 modified)
<If A1 = 1> (Mothers married to baby's father)
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Now I'd like to know how you think your life might be different if you were NOT married to the baby's father. For each area, please tell me if you think your life would be 'much worse', 'somewhat worse', 'the same', 'somewhat better', or 'much better' if you were NOT married to the baby's father.

Your financial situation?

- 1 Much worse
- 2 Somewhat worse
- 3 Same
- 4 Somewhat better
- 5 Much better
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

B9_2(2)

<If A1 = 1> (Mothers married to baby's father)

Your overall happiness?

- 1 Much worse
- 2 Somewhat worse
- 3 Same
- 4 Somewhat better
- 5 Much better
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

B9_3 (5)

<If A1 = 1> (Mothers married to baby's father)

Dad's involvement in the baby's life?

- 1 Much worse
- 2 Somewhat worse
- 3 Same
- 4 Somewhat better
- 5 Much better
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

B9_4 (5)

<If A1 = 1> (Mothers married to baby's father)

Your outlook on your future?

- 1 Much worse
- 2 Somewhat worse
- 3 Same
- 4 Somewhat better
- 5 Much better
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

B9_5 (2)

<If A1 = 1> (Mothers married to baby's father)

Your sex life?

- 1 Much worse
- 2 Somewhat worse
- 3 Same
- 4 Somewhat better
- 5 Much better
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

B9_6(2)

<If A1 = 1> (Mothers married to baby's father)

Your relations with your parents?

- 1 Much worse
- 2 Somewhat worse
- 3 Same
- 4 Somewhat better
- 5 Much better
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

All mothers

B10_1 (2)

Now I'd like you to think about your relationship with the baby's father. I'm going to ask you a few questions, and for each one, please tell me if the behavior occurs often, sometimes, or never. How often would you say that he is fair and willing to compromise when you have a disagreement? Is that often, sometimes, or never?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Never
- 9 Refused

B10_2 (5)

You hit or slap him when you are angry? Is that often, sometimes, or never?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Never
- 9 Refused

B10_3 (2)

He hits or slaps you when he is angry? Is that often, sometimes, or never?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Never
- 9 Refused

B10_4(2)

He expresses affection or love for you?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Never
- 9 Refused

B10 5 (2)

He insults or criticizes you or your ideas?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Never
- 9 Refused

B10 6 (2)

He encourages or helps you to do things that are important to you?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Never
- 9 Refused

B10 7 (5)

The two of you have disagreements about former partners? (former boyfriends/girlfriends/spouses)

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Never
- 9 Refused

Mothers not married to baby's father

B11 (1 modified)

<If A1 = 2> (Mothers not married to baby's father)

What do you think the chances are that you will be in a romantic relationship with the baby's father one year from now? Would you say no chance, a little chance, a 50-50 chance, a pretty good chance, or an almost certain chance?

- 1 No chance
- 2 A little chance
- 3 A 50-50 chance
- 4 A pretty good chance
- 5 An almost certain chance
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

B12 (2 modified)

 $\langle \text{If A1} = 2 \rangle \text{ AND } \langle \text{B11} = 2, 3, 4, \text{ or } 5 \rangle \text{ (Mothers not married to baby's father, AND more than 'no chance' will be together one year from now)}$

What do you think the chances are that you will marry the baby's father sometime in the future? Would you say no chance, a little chance, a 50-50 chance, a pretty good chance, or an almost certain chance?

- 1 No chance
- 2 A little chance
- 3 A 50-50 chance
- 4 A pretty good chance
- 5 An almost certain chance
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

B13 (2 modified)

<If A1 = 2> (Mothers not married to baby's father)

Do you want the baby's father to be involved in raising the baby in the coming years, yes or no?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 Refused

B14 (2 modified)

<If A1 = 2> (Mothers not married to baby's father)

Does the baby's father want to be involved in raising the baby in the coming years, yes or no?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

Mothers married to baby's father

B15(3)

<If A1 = 1> (Mothers married to baby's father)

Did you and your husband have pre-marital preparation, such as educational classes, a workshop, or counseling designed to help you get a good start in marriage, yes or no?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 Refused

B16 (5)

<If A1 = 1> (Mothers married to baby's father) AND <IF B15 =2> (No premarital preparation)

Why didn't you have premarital preparation? I'll read a short list of reasons and you can say "yes" to "no" to each. Was it because...(MATA)

- 1 There wasn't enough time?
- 2 It wasn't available?
- 3 It wasn't needed?
- 4 You'd never heard of such a thing?
- 5 Other
- 6 [None of these reasons]

All mothers

B17(2)

After you found out you were pregnant, would you say your relationship with the baby's father got better, worse, or stayed the same?

- 1 Better
- 2 Worse
- 3 Stayed the same
- 9 Refused

SERVICES

C1 1 (5)

Now I have several questions about various family support services that might help your family address certain needs. For each family support service, please tell me if you are 'not at all interested', 'somewhat interested', or 'very interested' in the service.

How interested are you in family support services to help you address child care needs?

- 1 Not at all interested
- 2 Somewhat interested
- 3 Very interested
- 9 Refused

C1_2 (5)

Services to help you address transportation needs?

- 1 Not at all interested
- 2 Somewhat interested
- 3 Very interested
- 9 Refused

$C1_3(5)$

Services to help you address housing needs or to have better living conditions?

- 1 Not at all interested
- 2 Somewhat interested
- 3 Very interested
- 9 Refused

$C1_{4}(5)$

Counseling services to get help for depression or anxiety?

- 1 Not at all interested
- 2 Somewhat interested
- 3 Very interested
- 9 Refused

$C1_{5}(5)$

Legal advice or legal services?

- 1 Not at all interested
- 2 Somewhat interested
- 3 Very interested
- 9 Refused
- -trouble with the law, immigration issues, divorce issues, child support or child custody issues, etc.

C1 6 (5)

Getting help for alcohol or drug use?

- 1 Not at all interested
- 2 Somewhat interested
- 3 Very interested
- 9 Refused

$C1_{7}(5)$

Anger management classes?

- 1 Not at all interested
- 2 Somewhat interested
- 3 Very interested
- 9 Refused

C1 8 (5)

Services to help you get a job or a better job?

- 1 Not at all interested
- 2 Somewhat interested
- 3 Very interested
- 9 Refused

C1 9 (5)

Services to help the baby's father get a job or a better job?

- 1 Not at all interested
- 2 Somewhat interested
- 3 Very interested
- 9 Refused

C2 (1 modified)

Would you be interested in participating in a couples' workshop with other parents where you and the baby's father could learn skills to strengthen your relationship?

1 Yes

2 No

9 Refused

C3 (5)

<If C2 = 1> (Mother interested)

Why WOULD you want to attend? I'll read a short list of reasons, and you can tell me "yes" or "no" for each reason. Would you want to attend to... (MATA)

- 1 Improve your relationship with the baby's father?
- 2 Learn to communicate better?
- 3 Spend time together as a couple?
- 4 Spend time with other couples who are expecting a baby?
- 5 Learn to be a better parent?
- 6 Some other reason? (specify)

C4 (5)

<If C2 = 2> (Mother interested)

Why are you NOT interested? I'll read a short list of reasons, and you can tell me "yes" or "no" for each reason. Is it because...(MATA)

- 1 You don't have enough time?
- 2 You don't like group meetings?
- 3 You don't see the need to work on your relationship?
- 4 You may not be around due to moving, military, jail or prison?
- 5 You don't expect to be with the baby's father in the future?
- 6 Some other reason? (specify)

C5(1)

Do you think the baby's father would participate with you in such a group?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

C6(5)

<If C5 = 1> (Mother believes baby's father would be interested)

Why do you think the baby's father WOULD want to attend? I'll read a short list of reasons, and you can tell me "yes" or "no" for each reason. Does he want to attend to...(MATA)

- 1 Improve his relationship with you?
- 2 Learn to communicate better?
- 3 Spend time together as a couple?
- 4 Spend time with other couples who are expecting a baby?
- 5 Learn to be a better parent?
- 6 Some other reason? (specify)

C7(5)

 $\langle \text{If C5} = 2 \rangle$ (Mother believes baby's father would NOT be interested)

Why do you think the baby's father would NOT be interested? I'll read a short list of reasons, and you can tell me "yes" or "no" for each reason. Is it because... (MATA)

- 1 He doesn't have enough time?
- 2 He doesn't like group meetings?
- 3 He doesn't see the need to work on your relationship?
- 4 He may not be around due to moving, military, jail or prison?

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5 He doesn't expect to be with you in the future?
6 Some other reason? (Specify)
C8_{1}(5)
Now I'd like to know if you are CURRENTLY receiving any of the following services. You can say 'yes'
or 'no' to each.
Medicaid?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
C8 2 (5)
Temporary Assistance to Needy Families or TANF?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
C8 3
WIC - Women, Infants and Children (a nutrition program)?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
C8 4
Food stamps?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
C8 5
Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
Section 8 Housing or housing subsidy?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
Children's First or the Health Families program?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
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RELATIONSHIPS WITH EXTENDED FAMILY

D1 (5)

Now I have a few questions about your relationships with extended family. On a scale of 1 to 10, where 1 is "not at all happy" and 10 is "extremely happy", how happy is YOUR FAMILY about you and the baby's father having a baby together?

RANGE: 1-10

77 Mom's family is unaware of pregnancy

88 Mom Doesn't know

99 Refused

D2 (5)

Using the same scale of 1 to 10, where 1 is "not at all happy" and 10 is "extremely happy", how happy is the BABY'S FATHER'S FAMILY about you having a baby together?

RANGE: 1-10

77 Dad's family is unaware of pregnancy

88 Mom Doesn't know

99 Refused

D3 (5)

Who is your best role model for marriage and what a good marriage looks like? Would you say...

- 1 Your parents
- 2 The baby's father's parents
- 3 Other relatives
- 4 Friends
- 5 Other
- 6 Don't know anyone
- 9 Refused

D4 (5)

We are almost finished. Now I need to know who currently lives with you in your household. First I'll read a list of possible adults, and you can say 'yes' or 'no' to each.

Do you live with....(MATA)

1 the baby's father?

- 2 your mother? (the baby's grandmother)
- 3 your father? (the baby's grandfather)
- 4 your grandmother?
- 5 your grandfather?
- 6 the baby's father's mother? (the baby's grandmother)
- 7 the baby's father's father? (the baby's grandfather)
- 8 the baby's father's grandmother?
- 9 the baby's father's grandfather?

10 other relatives?

- 11 other adult females not related to you or the baby's father?
- 12 other adult males not related to you or the baby's father?
- 13 No other adults in household

D5 (5)

Now I'll read a list of possible children, and you can say 'yes' or 'no' to each.

Do you live with....(MATA)

- 1 your own children, step-children, or foster children?
- 2 your husband's/boyfriend's children from other relationships?
- 3 other family members' children, such as nieces or nephews?
- 4 children of non-relatives, such as a friend's child?
- 5 No children in the household

D6 (3)

Altogether, how many children under the age of 18 are living with you right now? You should include not only your own children through birth or marriage, but also those who may be living in your home for other reasons such as foster care or other relatives.

RANGE: 0-10 CHILDREN

99 Refused

D7 (4)

Now I'd like to know about your PARENTS' marital status. Which of the following describes your parents' relationship?

- 1 They were never married to each other
- 2 They were married to each other, but divorced before you were 18 years old
- 3 They were married to each other, but divorced after you were 18 years old
- 4 They are separated
- 5 They stayed married (or stayed married until one died)
- 9 Refused

D8 (3)

About how often do you attend religious services? Would you say...

- 1 Never, or almost never
- 2 Occasionally, but less than once per month
- 3 One to three times per month
- 4 One or more times per week
- 9 Refused

D9 (2 modified/3 modified)

How often do you and the baby's father attend religious services together? Would you say...

- 1 Never, or almost never
- 2 Occasionally, but less than once per month
- 3 One to three times per month
- 4 One or more times per week
- 9 Refused

D10(3)

All things considered, how religious would you say that you are?

(or spiritual)

- 1 Not at all religious
- 2 Slightly religious
- 3 Moderately religious
- 4 Very religious
- 9 Refused

DEMOGRAPHICS

E1 (2, 3)

Before ending this interview I have a few remaining background questions.

How old are you?

Range = 18-55 years old *IWER: ENTER age here 99 Refused

E2 (3)

What is the highest level of school you have completed?

- 1 Less than 9th grade
- 2 9th to 12th grade, no diploma
- 3 High school graduate (includes equivalency)
- 4 Some college, no degree
- 5 Associate degree
- 6 Bachelor's degree
- 7 Graduate or professional degree
- 8 Other specify:
- 9 Refused

E3 (3)

Last week, what was your work status? Were you...

- 1 Working full-time; that is, 35 or more hours per week in one or more jobs; including self-employment
- 2 Working part-time
- 3 Have a job, but OUT due to illness, leave, furlough, or strike (Furlough = granted leave of absence from armed forces)
- 4 Have seasonal work, but currently not working
- 5 Unemployed/laid off/looking for work
- 6 Full-time homemaker
- 7 In school only
- 8 Retired
- 9 Disabled for work (such as SSI)
- 10 Other
- 99 Refused

E4(2,3)

Are you of Hispanic, Latina, or Spanish origin, yes or no?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 Refused

E5(2,3)

What is your race?

- 1 White
- 2 Black or African American
- 3 American Indian or Alaska Native
- 4 Asian
- 5 Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- 6 Some other race specify:
- 7 More than one race specify:
- 9 Refused

E6 (3)

<If A7 <> 0> (Mother currently has at least one child)

How old were you when your first child was born (or adopted)?

RANGE: 10-45 YEARS OLD

99 Refused

E7 (3)

Altogether, how many times have you been married?

RANGE: 0-30 MARRIAGES

99 Refused

E8 (3)

<If E7 > 0> (Mothers married at least once)

How old were you when you FIRST got married?

RANGE: 1-55 YEARS OLD

99 Refused

E9 (3)

<If A1 = 1> (Mothers married to baby's father)

How old were you when you married your current husband (the baby's father)?

RANGE: 1-55 YEARS OLD

99 Refused

E10(3)

Have you ever been divorced, yes or no?

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1 Yes
2 No
9 Refused
E11 (3)
<If E10 = 1> (Mothers divorced at least once)
How many times have you been divorced?
RANGE: 1-10 DIVORCES
99 Refused
E12 (2)
How old is the baby's father?
        Range = 18-55 years old
        *IWER: ENTER age here
        88 Don't know
        99 Refused
E13 (2 modified)
What is the highest level of school the baby's father has completed?
1 Less than 9th grade
2 9th to 12th grade, no diploma
3 High school graduate (includes equivalency)
4 Some college, no degree
5 Associate degree
6 Bachelor's degree
7 Graduate or professional degree
8 Other - specify:
9 Refused
E14 (3 modified)
Last week what was the work status of the baby's father?
1 Working full-time; that is, 35 or more hours per week in one or more jobs; including self-employment
2 Working part-time
3 Have a job, but OUT due to illness, leave, furlough, or strike (Furlough = granted leave of absence from
armed forces)
4 Have seasonal work, but currently not working
5 Unemployed/laid off/looking for work
6 Full-time homemaker
7 In school only
8 Retired
9 Disabled for work (such as SSI)
10 Other
88 Don't know
99 Refused
Is the baby's father of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin, yes or no?
1 Yes
2 No
8 Don't know
9 Refused
E16 (2 modified)
What is the baby's father's race?
1 White
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2 Black or African American

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3 American Indian or Alaska Native
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- 4 Asian
- 5 Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- 6 Some other race specify:
- 7 More than one race specify:
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

E17 (2)

<If A1 = 2> AND <B5 = 2> (If not married to baby's father AND if mother not living with baby's father now)

Where does the baby's father live most of the time? Does he have his own place, does he stay with a parent or other relative, or does he stay with friends?

- 1 He has his own place
- 2 He stays with a parent or other relative
- 3 He stays with friends
- 4 Other
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

E18 (2 modified)

Do you own a car or have access to reliable transportation, yes or no?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 Refused

E19

Those are all of my questions. Thank you for your time. For completing the interview, you will be paid \$15. We would also like to interview expectant fathers. If we complete interviews with both parents, we will pay you \$20 and the baby's father \$15 (or \$35 per couple).

Would you be willing to provide the father's name and telephone number?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

E20

<E19 = 1> (If mothers agree to give father's name/phone number)

We're going to need to know his name in order to contact him. Do you mind telling us his first and last name? Even his first name will do. What is his first name?

Open-ended

E21

<E19 = 1> (If mothers agree to give father's name/phone number)

What is his last name?

Open-ended

E22

<E19 = 1> (If mothers agree to give father's name/phone number)

What phone number is best to reach him?

Open-ended

Language

*IWER: CODE

Interview was conducted in:

- 1 English
- 2 Spanish

Thank1

Once again, thank you for your time. Have a good day.

Co-parenting

Since you do not intend to have a relationship with your baby's biological father, what kind of parenting arrangement do you anticipate for your baby? Do you plan to raise the child alone, raise the child with your current partner who is not the child's father, place the child for adoption with a family member, place the child for adoption with a non-family member, or some other arrangement?

- 1 Raise the child alone
- 2 Raise the child with your current partner who is not the child's father
- 3 Place the child for adoption with a family member
- 4 Place the child for adoption with a non-family member
- 5 Some other arrangement, specify:

Thank2

We appreciate you time today. However, we need to conduct interviews with mothers who have an ongoing relationship with the baby's father. Thank you again for your time.