

February 7, 2007

DIRECTIVE: JOB CORPS INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 06-18
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TO: ALL JOB CORPS NATIONAL OFFICE STAFF
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 Office of Job Corps

SUBJECT: Job Corps Participation in Survey for ROLES Revision

1. Purpose. To encourage Job Corps center staff who work directly with youth to complete a brief (5- to 10-minute) online survey to support the revision of the Restrictiveness of Living Environment Scale (ROLES) used in national studies of child outcomes.
2. Background. ROLES has served for many years as one way of conceptualizing the “restrictiveness” and stability of a child’s living situations. Examples of the scale’s use include several Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration (SAMHSA) national studies of child outcomes and various organizations’ clinical information systems.

Job Corps is one of the youth care environments that has been included in ROLES from its inception, and ROLES has invited Job Corps to contribute to a necessary revision of the scale based on actual child-care practice, by completing the online survey called the Restrictiveness Evaluation Measure for Youth (REMY). ROLES needs revision because the child care environment and practice have changed and environmental restrictiveness has become a critical outcome in determining effectiveness of care.

For more information about the ROLES Revision Project, see the attachment to this Information Notice.

3. Action. Job Corps staff who work directly with youth are encouraged to go to the REMY Web site (www.girlsandboystown.org/REMY2) and complete the survey **while thinking of a**

specific youth 18–19 years old who is typical of the individuals served by Job Corps. Please complete the survey no later than close of business Friday, February 16, 2007.

4. Expiration Date. February 16, 2007.

5. Inquiries. Inquiries regarding the scale, or comments or problems with the survey should be directed to Mary Beth Rauktis at mrauktis@pressleyridge.org or Jon Huefner at huefnerj@girlsandboystown.org. Inquiries regarding Job Corps' participation should be directed to Peter Mitchell at mitchell.peter@dol.gov.

Attachment

ROLES Revision Project Plan