SCRIPT FOR FOOD REPORTING SYSTEM (FRS) INTERVIEWS

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Step 1. Call

ANSWERING MACHINE: This message is for [FILL PRIMARY RESPONDENT]. My name is [FILL NAME] and I am calling from Mathematica Policy Research about the National Food Study. Please call us back as soon as possible at [ENGLISH AND SPANISH 866-275-8659] [KOREAN 855-398-3302] [VIETNAMESE 855-398-3303] to [FILL REASON]. Thank you.

OUTBOUND CALL: My name is [NAME]. I’m calling from Mathematica Policy Research about the National Food Study. May I please speak with [FILL PRIMARY RESPONDENT]?

INBOUND CALL: Thanks for calling the National Food Study. May I have your first and last name? [REQUEST SPELLING IF NEEDED. LOOKUP HOUSEHOLD IN FRS.]

ESTABLISH PURPOSE OF CALL: Are you calling with questions, or to report the information from your food books?

☐ QUESTIONS <TROUBLESHOOT>
☐ REPORTING <PROCEED>

Step 2. Confirmation (first interview)

Q1. According to my records, there are [FILL NUMBER OF HH MEMBERS] people living or staying in your household right now. Is that correct?

☐ YES <GO TO Q1a>
☐ NO <GO TO Q1b>

Q1a. The household members I have are: [LIST HH MEMBERS]. Is that correct?

• CORRECT ROSTER IF NEEDED.

Q1b. The household members I have are: [FILL LIST OF NAMES]. Is there someone we should add or was a person listed who is not a member of your household?

• CORRECT ROSTER IF NEEDED.
**Step 3. Daily Lists**

Q2. Do you have all of the food books with you now?

☐ YES <GO TO Q3>
☐ SOME - NOT ALL <GO TO Q2a>
☐ NO <GO TO Q2a>

Q2a. Are the books close enough that you could get them easily?

☐ YES - OFFER TO HOLD WHILE THE CALLER RETRIEVES THE BOOKS.
☐ NO - READ: Would you like to schedule a time to call back (or have me call you) when all of the books are available?


Q4. Which day is checked at the top?

Q5. How many places are listed in Section A? IF NONE SKIP TO Q7.

Q6a. Let’s go through Section A row-by-row. In the [FIRST/SECOND/THIRD...] row, who got the food?

Q6b. What is the name of the place?

Q6c. What was the total amount paid?

REPEAT Q6 SERIES UNTIL EACH PLACE IS REPORTED.

Q7. How many places are listed in Section B? IF NONE SKIP TO Q9.

Q8a. Let’s go through Section B row-by-row. In the [FIRST/SECOND/THIRD...] row, who got the food?

Q8b. What is the name of the place?

Q8c. What was the total amount paid?

Q8d. Were you able to scan your food items?  ☐ ALL  ☐ SOME  ☐ NONE

Q8e. Did you have any problems scanning?  ☐ YES  ☐ NO

Q8f. Did you save your receipt(s)?  ☐ YES  ☐ NO

REPEAT Q8 SERIES UNTIL EACH PLACE IS REPORTED.

Q9. IF NO PLACES ARE LISTED ON THIS PAGE ASK: So that means [YOU/SHE/HE] did not get any food that day. Is that right?

☐ YES <CONTINUE>
☐ NO <TROUBLESHOOT>

That’s it for this page. Please make an “x” in the “Office Use” box at the bottom of the page. This way we will know it has been reported and we won’t ask you about it the next time we speak.

FOR SUBSEQUENT PAGES: Please make an “x” in the “Office Use” box and flip to the next page.

REPEAT Q4-Q9 FOR EACH DAY OF STUDY WEEK REPORTED DURING THE CALL.
Step 4. Red Pages

Now I’d like to go through the Red Pages in this book.

Q10. FIRST DAY ONLY, UNLESS PROBLEMS NOTED ON PREVIOUS INTERVIEW: Did [you/book owner’s name] have problems filling out the red pages?

☐ YES <TROUBLESHOOT>
☐ NO <CONTINUE>

FOR FIRST PHONE CALL: Please open this book to the first red page (the one after the sample red page).

SUBSEQUENT CALLS: Please turn to the first red page that you have not reported to us. It should be the first one without an “x” in the “Office Use” box.

Q11a. CONFIRM DAY
Q11b. CONFIRM NAME OF PLACE
Q11c. PICK ADDRESS FROM DROPDOWN LIST. IF NOT IN LIST, CLICK MAP ICON AND USE GOOGLE MAP
• NOTE: GOOGLE AUTOMATICALLY PROVIDES OPTIONS NEAR HH ZIP CODE
• IF NO OPTIONS APPEAR, ASK FOR STREET ADDRESS (USUALLY ON THE RECEIPT)
• IF THE PLACE IS NOT A BUSINESS, DO NOT ASK FOR ADDRESS
Q11d. Who got this [MEAL OR SNACK]?
Q11e. Which meal or snack did you check?
Q11f. How did you pay?

IF PURCHASED ASK:

Q11g. Do you have a receipt? IF YES: Did you attach the receipt to the page?
Q11h. What was the total amount paid including tax and tip?
Q11i. If you left a tip, how much?
Q11j. Did you buy food or drinks for anyone not in your household? IF YES: How many people?
Q11k. Please tell me all the food and drinks that you got at [PLACE].

IF RESPONDENT ATTACHED RECEIPT TO PAGE ASK: Start by reading the items on the receipt.

Q11l. Are there any items listed at the bottom of the page? IF YES: Please read the [FIRST/SECOND/REPEAT AS NECESSARY] line?
• PROMPT FOR ADDITIONAL ITEMS AND DETAILS
• E.g. Did you add anything to that?
• E.g. Did you have anything else with that?
• E.g. Did you have any side dishes with that meal?
• E.g. Did you have any beverages during that meal?

Please make an “x” in the “Office Use” box and flip to the next page.

REPEAT THIS SERIES UNTIL EACH PLACE IS REPORTED.

REPEAT STEPS 3 & 4 FOR EACH FOOD BOOK.
### Step 5. User Participation and Meals and Snacks Form

CHECK USER PARTICIPATION TAB AND REQUEST ADDITIONAL INFO AS NECESSARY.

We are almost done; I just wanted to remind you that it is very important to save receipts.

Also, have you been filling out your Meal and Snacks form that is under the magnet on your refrigerator?

- ☐ YES <PROCEED>
- ☐ NO <REMIND RESPONDENT TO COMPLETE THE MEAL AND SNACKS FORM>

### Step 6. End

That is the end of my questions. Thank you for giving me this information. Do you have any questions for me?

- ☐ YES <TROUBLESHOOT>
- ☐ NO <PROCEED>

IF NOT DAY 7: Please give us a call back on [DAY OF WEEK] to tell us about the food you got between now and then.

IF DAY 7: As scheduled, your field interviewer will return tomorrow to complete the final interview, collect the books and scanner, and bring your incentive payments.