



North Dakota National Youth in Transition Database **NYTD SURVEY** for Case Managers

What is the NYTD survey: The federal government developed the **NYTD** survey in 2010. Select foster care youth complete the survey nationwide as a means to collect data which will help improve services for youth in foster care and assess how youth leaving foster care do over time.

Who Completes the Survey: ND foster care youth who are age 17 during specific federal fiscal years are asked if they would like to complete a **NYTD** survey. Every three years a new group of 17 year olds is identified and surveyed. Youth who complete the first **NYTD** survey at age 17 will be asked to complete part two at age 19 and part three at age 21.

Is the NYTD Survey Voluntary: YES! Foster youth participation is voluntary and there will be no penalty to the youth or to state funding if youth choose to not take the NYTD survey at age 17. A decline does not affect % or funding at age 17.

However, if youth participates at age 17, they become part of the ND **NYTD** Survey Group and North Dakota must make concerted efforts to locate them for future surveys. If the youth cannot be located or declines participation at age 19 or 21, then ND will be subject to the loss of funding for foster care services. A decline at ages 19 or 21 does affect % and funding per federal regulations.

Benefits of Participation: Completing the **NYTD** survey allows the youth to use their experience to improve the future for other foster youth. Youth participants at age 17 will become part of the ND **NYTD** Survey group and receive a \$10 gift card. If they continue to take the survey at age 19 they will receive a \$20 gift card. At age 21 when they complete the final survey they will receive a \$50 gift card!!

North Dakota Survey Protocol:

1. Children & Family Services (DHHS) will identify eligible foster youth to take the **NYTD** Survey and will contact the case manager for assistance in administering the survey.
2. Nexus-PATH will email case managers providing;
 - a. **NYTD** Survey instructions
 - b. **NYTD** Survey ID & Due Date
 - c. **NYTD** Survey Packet containing the consent, survey, & future contact form.
3. The survey is to be completed by the youth within 45 days **after** turning age 17 **while in foster care**. This can be done during a monthly visit or over the phone.
4. The case manager will return all **NYTD** survey paperwork to Nexus-PATH asap.
5. Upon receipt of the packet, Nexus-PATH will mail a \$10 gift card to the youth.
 - a. A gift card receipt will be enclosed with the gift card. DHHS/Nexus-PATH asks that it be signed and returned to DHHS/Nexus-PATH as proof of receipt and fiscal purposes.
6. **NYTD** survey data entry into FRAME will be completed by DHHS.

THANK YOU!

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