### Food Security (FS) Section November 14, 2017

#### MEPS P21R5/P22R3/P23R1

The MEPS instrument design changed beginning in Spring of 2018, affecting Panel 23 Round 1, Panel 22 Round 3, and Panel 21 Round 5, and affected the 2017 MEPS data files. The MEPS website releases the consolidated CAPI survey instruments each year for the Rounds 1 through 3 for the first year panel and Rounds 3 through 5 for the second year panel to accompany data releases. For the Full-Year 2017 PUFs, the Panel 22 Round 3 and Panel 21 Round 5 data were transformed to the degree possible to conform to the previous year (2016) design. For this reason, we are releasing 2016 CAPI survey instruments, updated to reflect 2017 dates, and users should note that not all changes to the instrument administered in the Spring of 2018 will be reflected in these documents.

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# BOX\_00A

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FS01 ====

These next questions are about whether you were always able to afford the food you needed in the last 30 days.

PRESS ENTER OR SELECT NEXT PAGE TO CONTINUE.

FS02

I'm going to read you several statements that people have made about their food situation. For these statements, please tell me whether the statement was **often** true, **sometimes** true, or **never** true for {you/your family} in the **last 30 days**.

"In the **last 30 days**, {I/we} worried whether {my/our} food would run out before {I/we} got money to buy more." Was that **often**, **sometimes**, or **never** true for {you/your family} in the last 30 days?

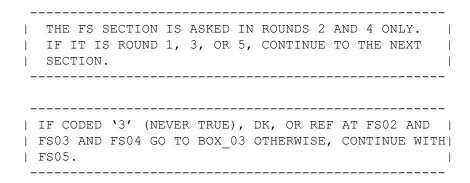
OFTEN TRUE 1	{FS03}
SOMETIMES TRUE 2	{FS03}
NEVER TRUE 3	{FS03}
REF7	{FS03}
DK8	{FS03}

FS03

FS04

DISPLAY 'you' IF SINGLE PERSON RU OTHERWISE,     DISPLAY 'your family'.	
DISPLAY 'I', 'my', AND 'you' IF SINGLE PERSON RU     OTHERWISE, DISPLAY 'we', 'our', AND 'your     family'.	
"The food that {I/we} bought just didn't last and {I/we} didn money to get more." Was that often, sometimes, or never true {you/your family} in the last 30 days?	
OFTEN TRUE 1 {FS04} SOMETIMES TRUE 2 {FS04} NEVER TRUE 3 {FS04} REF -7 {FS04} DK -8 {FS04}	
DISPLAY 'I' AND 'you' IF SINGLE PERSON RU     OTHERWISE, DISPLAY 'we' AND 'your family'.	
"\{I/we\} couldn't afford to eat balanced meals." Was that oft sometimes, or never true for \{you/your family\} in the last 30	en, days?
OFTEN TRUE 1 {BOX_01} SOMETIMES TRUE 2 {BOX_01} NEVER TRUE 3 {BOX_01} REF -7 {BOX_01} DK -8 {BOX_01}	
DISPLAY 'I' AND 'you' IF SINGLE PERSON RU     OTHERWISE, DISPLAY 'we' AND 'your family'.	

# BOX\_01



FS05

In the **last 30 days** did {you/you or other adults in your family} ever cut the size of your meals or skip meals because there wasn't enough money for food?

YES 1 {F	FS06}
NO 2 {E	FS07}
REF7 {E	FS07}
DK8 {E	FS07}
DISPLAY 'you' IF ONLY ONE ADULT RU MEMBER IN	
HOUSEHOLD AS OF DATE OF INTERVIEW.	
DISPLAY 'you or other adults in your family'	
IF MORE THAN ONE RU MEMBER > OR = 18 YEARS OLD	) IN
HOUSEHOLD AS OF DATE OF INTERVIEW.	

FS06

In the last 30 days, how many days did this happen?

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FS07	
	In the <b>last 30 days</b> , did you ever eat less than you felt you should because there wasn't enough money for food?
	YES       1 {FS08}         NO       2 {FS08}         REF       -7 {FS08}         DK       -8 {FS08}
FS08	
	In the <b>last 30 days</b> , were you ever hungry but didn't eat because there wasn't enough money for food?
	YES 1 {FS09} NO 2 {FS09} REF7 {FS09} DK8 {FS09}
FS09	
	In the <b>last 30 days</b> , did you lose weight because there wasn't enough money for food?
	YES       1 {BOX_02}         NO       2 {BOX_02}         REF       -7 {BOX_02}         DK       -8 {BOX_02}

BOX\_02

| IF CODED '2', DK, OR REF AT FS07 AND FS08 AND FS09| | GO TO BOX\_03 OTHERWISE, CONTINUE WITH FS10. |

FS10	
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	In the <b>last 30 days</b> , did {you/you or other adults in your family} ever not eat for a whole day because there wasn't enough money for food?
	YES
	DISPLAY 'you' IF ONLY ONE ADULT RU MEMBER IN     HOUSEHOLD AS OF DATE OF INTERVIEW.     DISPLAY 'you or other adults in your family'     IF MORE THAN ONE RU MEMBER > OR = 18 YEARS OLD IN     HOUSEHOLD AS OF DATE OF INTERVIEW.
FS11 ====	
	In the last 30 days, how many days did this happen?
	[Enter Number of Days]
BOX_03 =====	
	GO TO NEXT QUESTIONNAIRE SECTION