

We believe that the studies summarized here make a strong case for the use of monetary incentives to guarantee the cooperation of the service providers and the respondents.

**4. Testing of Procedures**

The pretest will use within-shelter/soup kitchen sampling procedures adapted from procedures used successfully in surveys the Urban Institute and the Research Triangle Institute conducted. An important purpose of the pretest is to test these procedures with the Census Bureau field staff. These sampling procedures must be understood and correctly implemented by the Census Bureau field staff to ensure the statistical integrity of the survey. Additional areas to be tested are:

- a. Developing a comprehensive listing of service providers in the pretest area.
- b. Conducting pre-contact meeting(s) with service facilities to ensure their voluntary participation in the survey. Also, testing the process of entering into a Memorandum of Understanding with the service provider to administer payment to the survey respondents and to secure space at the facility to conduct the interview.
- c. Administering payment to survey respondents via the Memorandum of Understanding.
- d. Developing Field Representative training and procedural manuals.
- e. Developing methodology for correcting for duplication of survey respondents and for developing estimates of the population.

**5. Contacts for Statistical Aspects and Data Collection**

The following individuals are being consulted on statistical aspects of the survey design:

Dr. Martha Burt  
The Urban Institute  
2100 M Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20037  
Tel: (202) 857-8551

Dr. Michael Dennis  
Research Triangle Institute  
Center for Social Research and  
Policy Analysis  
PO Box 12194  
Research Triangle Park, NC 27709-2194  
Tel: (919) 541-6429

Dr. Charles H. Alexander  
Demographic Statistical Methods Division  
Bureau of the Census  
Washington, DC 20233  
(301) 457-4290

The Census Bureau will collect the data for this survey. Mr. Steven Tourkin is responsible for the collection of all data and is the Census Bureau contact person for the survey.