### **2014 Heartland Annual Conference Evaluation**



#### 1. Travel and lodging arrangements were made without difficulty.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree	67.4%	31
Agree	28.3%	13
No Opinion	4.3%	2
Disagree	0.0%	0
Strongly Disagree	0.0%	0
	answered question	46
	skipped question	0

#### 2. Pre-conference email and list serve communications were clear.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree	46.7%	21
Agree	33.3%	15
No Opinion	6.7%	3
Disagree	13.3%	6
Strongly Disagree	0.0%	0
	answered question	45
	skipped question	1

## 3. Website information about conference was helpful.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree	37.0%	17
Agree	32.6%	15
No Opinion	19.6%	9
Disagree	8.7%	4
Strongly Disagree	2.2%	1
	answered question	46
	skipped question	0

## 4. Registration instructions were clear.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree	57.8%	26
Agree	33.3%	15
No Opinion	6.7%	3
Disagree	2.2%	1
Strongly Disagree	0.0%	0
	answered question	45
	skipped question	1

### 5. There was sufficient time for networking during the meeting.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree	44.4%	20
Agree	46.7%	21
No Opinion	4.4%	2
Disagree	4.4%	2
Strongly Disagree	0.0%	0
	answered question	45
	skipped question	1

### 6. There was time to address specific regional issues of concern.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree	32.6%	15
Agree	50.0%	23
No Opinion	13.0%	6
Disagree	4.3%	2
Strongly Disagree	0.0%	0
	answered question	46
	skipped question	0

# 7. Topics chosen for discussion were relevant for the future of Genetics and NBS in the Heartland states.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree	51.1%	23
Agree	37.8%	17
No Opinion	8.9%	4
Disagree	2.2%	1
Strongly Disagree	0.0%	0
	answered question	45
	skipped question	1

### 8. Information regarding the national agenda (from Copeland) was clearly presented.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree	36.4%	16
Agree	38.6%	17
No Opinion	22.7%	10
Disagree	2.3%	1
Strongly Disagree	0.0%	0
	answered question	44
	skipped question	2

# 9. I learned something from a speaker or colleague that I intend to try in my state or practice.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree	51.1%	23
Agree	37.8%	17
No Opinion	11.1%	5
Disagree	0.0%	0
Strongly Disagree	0.0%	0
	answered question	45
	skipped question	1

### 10. The KC Airport Marriott accommodations met my needs.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree	56.8%	25
Agree	11.4%	5
No Opinion	15.9%	7
Disagree	11.4%	5
Strongly Disagree	4.5%	2
	answered question	44
	skipped question	2

# 11. Vendor booths contributed to the overall resources at the conference and are worth having at a future meeting.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree	31.1%	14
Agree	44.4%	20
No Opinion	22.2%	10
Disagree	2.2%	1
Strongly Disagree	0.0%	0
	answered question	45
	skipped question	1

### 12. Staff at the Heartland registration table was friendly, efficient and helpful.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly Agree	68.9%	31
Agree	31.1%	14
No Opinion	0.0%	0
Disagree	0.0%	0
Strongly Disagree	0.0%	0
	answered question	45
	skipped question	1

# 13. Please use this space to comment on the previous questions or to provide other comments.

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	Response Count
	32
answered question	32
skipped question	14

	Opening in particles are significant in the state of the	May 5 004440 50
1	Coming in early for special session worked well for me. EHDI breakout session had voiced a concern about what is their role in Heartland. Put acronyms in program book for programs - hard to follow alphabet soup. Put an organization chart in the program book for NIH, MCHB, etc like the one shown in slide show. packet for new members awesome final wrap up with speaker & song.	May 5, 2014 10:58
2	I now have a huge "to-do" list of ideas and contacts I want to follow up on!	May 5, 2014 10:48
3	The KC Marriott was awesome! Very friendly and helpful staff at all service areas (desk, bar/grill, wait staff, housekeeping, etc) The shuttle service was very useful.	May 5, 2014 10:47
1	The sessions really should not be longer than 45 minutes. Several of the speakers would have completed their presentation sooner. It was hard to stay engaged. If we had started at 8 for the workshop we would have done everything in 2 days. I think that the workshop should have been from 8 - 4. Keynote for heartland at 5 same day and we could have the meeting for 1 whole day from 8 - 5 or end the next day by 11. All said however, it was a great conference and great speakers.	May 5, 2014 10:45
5	Closing speaker - excellent!	May 5, 2014 10:42
6	Wonderful conference! This was my first time attending. Fantastic information and great speakers.	May 5, 2014 10:41
7	food was good - especially breakfast have a page in the program for acronyms, definitions and explanations of organizations. have more time for small group discussions put the slides in the program booklet for notes	May 5, 2014 10:24
3	I prefer a two day meeting instead of the three days. I feel like the NBS workshop could have ended at 2 or 3 and we could have had registration and one or two speakers could have been that afternoon / evening. Then the next day could have been a full day. Three days felt like too much. Mrs. Forlenza's presentation was excellent.	May 5, 2014 10:13
9	Information was a little slow in being communicated. Approval for travel sometimes takes time for our agency and a delay in information from Heartland may mean we are unable to attend. Travel information needs to go out much earlier to allow time for planning. Work group discussions very helpful. Length of meeting and content was great. Hotel wonderful and food was fantastic.	May 5, 2014 10:10
0	It was my first Heartland conference and the EHDI work group is in its infancy yet, but there must be components on hearing incorporated into the conference for me to continue to attend.	May 5, 2014 10:08
1	Little confusion on start time for NBS pre meeting. The NBS meeting at the beginning worked very well. I found it very helpful.	May 5, 2014 10:04
2	Ancillary meetings - agenda never finalized for pre-workshop. Topics were appropriate. A regional collaborative social could help with networking opportunities.	May 5, 2014 10:02
3	Call reception was terrible in meeting room. Was moved to three rooms due to	May 5, 2014 10:00

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	no heat, and door not locking.	
14	Confusing information regarding starting times and breakfast.	May 5, 2014 9:59 AM
15	Loved having the work-group meeting the day before! Great use of time. The lunches were great. I'm eating light and it was very easy to work out what i could eat. It would have been nice to have a hotel that was within walking distance of a few other places; some restaurants or shops for evening time.	May 5, 2014 9:56 AM
16	Thank you for all your hard work. I'm taking valuable info to my state and will use it in a very near future.	May 5, 2014 9:50 AM
17	The presentation on transitions on 4/24/14 was too non specific about the accomplishments and lessons learned in their research. It needs to narrow down in a more stream line trajectory. a) method of research - be brief to leave time for b & c b) findings c) recommendations and advice to genetic providers regarding the topic of how to implement transitions in a practical way locally, naming resources and plans of action. All the other presentations were focused and organized and very useful and practical.	May 5, 2014 9:46 AM
18	This meeting was run really well. The board meeting on Wednesday was effective and it was scheduled at a time that was convenient. The speakers were all clear and effective; topics covered were useful.	May 5, 2014 9:29 AM
19	I like the 3 day meeting. This is a good use of time. The NBS work-group meeting should have started earlier (and) would have allowed more time for morning presentations. Dustin and Heartland staff very helpful.	May 2, 2014 3:29 PM
20	(regarding Heartland staff) Dustin rocks! I like the format of the combined NBS workshop and genetics / nbs meeting. I attend both meetings and this once a year meeting makes my work schedule more productive. I did not like the location of the hotel and conference. We were so far removed from anything or anywhere to make our off time more enjoyable. Next year please remember that after the meeting hours downtime with counterparts in other states would benefit from not being "landlocked" and stuck at the hotel and their meager food options.	May 2, 2014 3:27 PM
21	(Regarding Heartland staff) They are always very helpful. Great food served / provided. Thank you. Appreciate the time for networking.	May 2, 2014 3:22 PM
22	In the future, it may be helpful to book a hotel near other businesses. This hotel was very isolated making it difficult to get anywhere. Due to the remote location of this hotel it was difficult to get telephone service in some places (the meeting rooms). The hotel provided a shuttle service to a nearby mall, which was nice, but our driver was obviously drunk and almost wrecked a number of times. Again, if we were in a less remote area, this would not have been an issue.	May 2, 2014 3:19 PM
23	The hotel was fine with the exception of a lack of phone reception. It would have been more efficient if the hotel were located in a better area, too much time was spent going off-site for meals. Also, this logistical issue did not encourage networking among peers. I would recommend a hotel in the downtown area for the next conference. This topic was heavily discussed among attendees. Nonetheless the conference met my needs for enriching my role.	May 2, 2014 3:17 PM

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24	Maybe have more than one greeter the first day to hand out name-card, bags, etc. Such hardworking people involved in this collaborative.	May 2, 2014 3:07 Pf
25	Thank you for an excellent conference. I enjoyed networking with people from different professions and reasons for participating. It shows how true collaboration should work between all providers (med, education and families). I truly appreciated the willingness of Heartland to help me with my travel arrangements as it took a long time to get approval from my agency's travel department.	May 2, 2014 2:50 Pf
26	Well done! I appreciate the speakers and topics and learned from each of them.	May 2, 2014 2:45 Pf
27	I would have liked to (have) visited booths that pertained to parent support organizations. I have families looking to connect to another family and would like to provide them with information pertaining to theses organizations. It would have been nice to specifically on the work groups. You seem to be connected to many family organizations, why have they not been pulled into present? Really liked the conference manual!	May 2, 2014 2:44 Pf
28	Did not participate in Wednesday session but seemed like a good idea. Lunch setup on Thursday not ideal for taking but I was glad we were just eating and not "meeting". Overall not as science heavy as last meeting I attended in St. Louis. Ingrid a great speaker. Sara Gardner great also.	May 2, 2014 2:41 Pl
29	I had a few hotel problems - lack of wake-up call on Friday, etc. Good organization of presenters, pertinent, specific, concise. A lot of work got done. Face to face opportunities seem to lead to better information and networking across membership.	May 2, 2014 2:38 Pl
30	I loved Thursday's sessions how they started nationally and worked their way down. Well thought out. I thought project review presentations could have been shorter. That was a lot of information! I have stayed at the Marriott several times with Heartland. I have had problems with my room the last two times that I stayed. Staff are friendly and take care of it but it is still an issue. The food has always been great. I would like more on attendee page other than email & organization - maybe job title so we know what that person does once we leave the conference. I thought the conference manual was well organized and easy to use.	May 2, 2014 2:30 Pl
31	Most definitely loved the toolkit resources info via websites given during presentations. I appreciate the separate days for workshops that allowed increased time for collaboration, networking, problem - solving and opportunity to identify practical strategies and resource that I will take back to Oklahoma and use in my transition program. (regarding Heartland staff) Very helpful and accommodating Also because I misplaced my original notebook on Thursday evening, sending the power-point slides of the presentations will be very helpful for my review and program implementation.	May 2, 2014 2:25 PI
32	Needed some opportunity to see the city. Or tour a nearby hospital / or facility.  Overall very good conference.	May 2, 2014 2:16 P