Test Items

To keep the survey current and responsive to government priorities, the OPM FEVS team often tests possible new content. The next section includes new questions covering several topic areas of governmentwide interest. By participating in the test, you will help us improve the survey and determine new content for the OPM FEVS in 2022 and beyond.

Please answer the item below and let us know if you agree to volunteer time to assist in developing new OPM FEVS content. If you select "yes," you will have the opportunity to view and participate in the test items. If you select "no," you will be taken to the end of the survey where you can submit your responses.

Are you willing to participate in the Test Items section?

- Yes [if selected, will proceed to next page and see test items]
- No [if selected, will branch to end page and skip all test items]

State of Engagement

The proposed items appear on this survey as a <u>test only</u>. Your responses will be extremely useful to assessing their utility as possible additions to future surveys.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
My job inspires me.	0	0	0	0	0
The work I do gives me a sense of accomplishment.	0	0	0	0	0
I feel a strong personal attachment to my organization	0	0	0	0	0
I identify with the mission of my organization.	0	0	0	0	O
It is important to me that my work contribute to the common good.	0	0	0	0	0

Paid Parental Leave

The next few items ask about the Paid Parental Leave benefit available to Federal employees. The benefit provides up to 12 weeks of Paid Parental Leave to covered Federal employees in connection with the birth or placement (for adoption or foster care) of a child occurring on or after October 1, 2020. Employees may only use Paid Parental Leave upon invoking FMLA (see CPM2020-10). The proposed items appear on this survey as a <u>test only</u>. Your responses will be extremely useful to assessing their utility as possible additions to future surveys.

Have you used the Paid Parental Leave benefit at any point from October 1, 2020 to today?

O Yes

- No, did not have a qualifying event
- O No, I was not aware of the leave although I had a qualifying event
- O No, I chose not to use the leave although I had a qualifying event

O No, I had a qualifying event (e.g., birth of a child), but was not eligible to use the leave

 ${\bf O}$ No, I had a qualifying event, but I used all my FMLA leave previously

The item below will only be <u>visible</u> if 'yes' was selected for the item 'Have you used the Paid Parental Leave benefit at any point from October 1, 2020 to today?'.

For what purpose did you use Paid Parental Leave? Choose all that apply.

- □ Birth of a child
- □ Placement of a child for adoption
- Placement of a child for foster care

The item below will only be <u>visible</u> if 'yes' was selected for the item 'Have you used the Paid Parental Leave benefit at any point from October 1, 2020 to today?'.

How many weeks of Paid Parental Leave did you use during the 12-month period following a qualifying event (use can be either continuous or intermittent)?

<u>Note:</u> If you are still using your leave when taking this survey, respond with how many weeks of Paid Parental Leave you expect to take in total.

- Full 12 weeks *[if selected, will skip the next item]*
- At least 8 weeks but less than 12 weeks
- At least 6 weeks but less than 8 weeks
- At least 3 weeks but less than 6 weeks
- O Less than 3 weeks

Paid Parental Leave - continued

What are the primary reasons you used (or expect to use) *less than* 12 weeks of Paid Parental Leave? Choose all that apply.

□ Did not need to use the full 12 weeks of leave

□ Previous use of FMLA leave reduced the amount of Paid Parental Leave available to me

□ Meeting FMLA eligibility requirements limited the amount of FMLA leave available to use within my FMLA 12-month period

□ Did not feel I could be away from job responsibilities for a full 12 weeks

□ Concerned about the impact using the leave would have on my career advancement

□ Did not feel that my coworkers supported my use of all 12 weeks of the leave

 $\hfill\square$ Did not feel that my supervisor supported my use of all 12 weeks of the leave

Other reason

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility

The OPM FEVS team has developed survey content aligning with the June 2021 Executive Order on Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (EO 14035). The proposed items appear on this survey as a <u>test only</u>. Your responses will be extremely useful to assessing their utility as possible additions to future surveys.

Diversity: The practice of including the many communities, identities, races, ethnicities, backgrounds, abilities, cultures, and beliefs of the American people, including underserved communities. (Source: EO 14035)

My organization's management practices promote diversity (e.g., outreach, recruitment, promotion opportunities).

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- O Neither Agree nor Disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- $\mathbf O$ Do Not Know

My supervisor demonstrates a commitment to workforce diversity (e.g., recruitment, promotion opportunities, development).

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neither Agree nor Disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- O Do Not Know

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Equity: The consistent and systematic fair, just, and impartial treatment of all individuals, including individuals who belong to underserved communities that have been denied such treatment. (Source: EO 14035)

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Do Not Know
I have similar access to advancement opportunities (e.g., promotion, career development, training) as others in my work unit.	0	0	0	0	0	0
My supervisor provides opportunities fairly to all employees in my work unit (e.g., promotions, work assignments).	0	0	0	0	0	0
In my work unit, excellent work is similarly recognized for all employees (e.g., awards, acknowledgements).	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Inclusion: The recognition, appreciation, and use of the talents and skills of employees of all backgrounds (Source: EO 14035). Items in this section consider relevant aspects of the workplace, specifically, Belonging, Unique, and Involved.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Basis to Judge
include me in networking and office events.	0	O	0	0	0	0
treat me as a valued member of the team.	0	0	0	0	0	0
make me feel I belong.	0	•	0	0	0	0
care about me as a person.	0	0	0	0	0	0

Employees in my work unit...

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility – *continued*

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Basis to Judge
I am comfortable expressing opinions that are different from other employees in my work unit.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Employees in my work unit are open to differing viewpoints.	0	0	0	0	0	0
In my work unit, people's differences are respected.	0	0	0	0	0	0
I can be successful in my organization being myself.	0	0	0	0	0	0

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility - *continued*

- Strongly Agree
- O Agree
- Neither Agree nor Disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- No Basis to Judge

When needed, my supervisor asks for my perspective on work-related matters.

- O Strongly Agree
- Agree
- O Neither Agree nor Disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

My supervisor involves me in decisions that affect my work.

- O Strongly Agree
- O Agree
- O Neither Agree nor Disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

Senior leaders seek input (e.g., listening sessions, surveys) from employees of all different backgrounds.

- Strongly Agree
- $\mathbf O$ Agree
- O Neither Agree nor Disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- O Do Not Know

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Accessibility: The design, construction, development, and maintenance of facilities, information and communication technology, programs, and services so that all people, including people with disabilities, can fully and independently use them. (Source: EO 14035)

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	I do not have any accessibility needs	No Basis to Judge
I can easily make a request of my organization to meet my accessibility needs.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
My organization responds to my accessibility needs in a timely manner.	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ο
My organization meets my accessibility needs.	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ο

Demographic Item Test

Items are included on the OPM FEVS to allow for the evaluation of diversity and inclusion in Federal workplaces. In keeping with survey goals of responsiveness to government policies, priorities, and advances in research, the OPM FEVS team is testing possible revisions to existing items. Please take a few minutes to respond to the following.

<u>Note</u>: Multiple forms of items related to sexual orientation and gender identity appear next. Each is being tested to help make decisions about future survey content.

Form 1:

What sex were you assigned at birth?

- O Male
- Female

Do you currently describe yourself as male, female, or transgender? (Select one)

- O Male
- \bigcirc Female
- Transgender
- None of these

Which of the following best represents how you think of yourself? (Select one)

- Straight, that is, not lesbian or gay
- $\mathbf O$ Lesbian or gay
- Bisexual
- Something else
- O I don't know

Demographic Item Test - continued

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Form 2:

What is your gender?

- O Male
- **O** Female
- Non-binary/Third Gender
- O I use another term
- Prefer not to say

Do you identify as transgender?

- O Yes
- O No
- Prefer not to say

What is your sexual orientation?

- Straight/Heterosexual
- $\mathbf O$ Gay or Lesbian
- **O** Bisexual
- Queer
- ${\bf O}$ I use another term
- Prefer not to say