Final X form and F3 Interval Dates:

- All participants will need a final X Form and F3 form.
- Follow-up data will be collected through 12/31/09; however, the final F3 ‘date form completed’ should be the date that the participant gave this information, i.e. the date they completed the form (whether the interview is by telephone, mail, or in person).
- Sites should use the F3 ‘date form completed’ as the interval end date on the X form. If a final F3 was unable to be obtained, then the X form interval end date will be the date that the vital status was determined. This is consistent with the current procedures and the X form completion instructions dated 3-10-08.
- Please submit vital status and follow-up information on the next available X form due on the participant’s calendar (most due dates will fall in the end of 2009/beginning 2010).
- The data collection period ends 12/31/09; therefore the final F3 will be administered after January 1, 2010. F3 form completion dates & X form interval end dates are expected to be in 2010.

Examples:

- Phone or In-person administration: Ask the participants for follow-up information through 12/31/2009 and record the information on the final F3 form. The F3 ‘date form completed’ should be the date that the site conducts the interview. This will also be the final X form interval end date.
- Mail administration: Ask the participants to record follow-up information through 12/31/2009 on the final F3 form. The F3 form ‘date form completed’ should be the date that the participant completes the questionnaire. This will also be the final X form interval end date.
- If the participant is deceased, then the interval end date will be the date of death.
- If the participant did not complete a final F3, and their vital status is ‘alive’ or ‘unknown’, then the interval end date will be the date the site determined/recorded the vital status.