Cues of a Disengaged Sensory Panelist





RELIABILITY & COMMITMENT

- Frequently absent, has last-minute cancellations or increased no-shows
- Arrives late and/or leaves sessions early
- Distracted during sessions (e.g., phone use, side conversations)
- Limited participation in panel activities or events

QUALITY OF SENSORY PERFORMANCE

- Rushes through evaluations and completes ballots faster than expected
- Participates only when prompted
- Increased inconsistency in responses and/or gives repetitive ratings across products
- Less willingness to retry products and discuss with the rest of the team



DISENGAGED SENSORY PANELIST

PRIDE, MOTIVATION & CONNECTION

- Shows little enthusiasm and excitement about being part of the panel
- Does not take pride in being a member of the panel
- Appears indifferent toward panel activities and successes

LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT

- Does not engage or ask questions
- Has lack of interest in learning opportunities and/or trainings
- Does not engage in training activities and calibration exercises
- Seldom seeks feedback or opportunities to improve





COMMUNICATION & COLLABORATION

- Limited interaction with staff and/or fellow panelists
- Complains about the panel experience rather than providing constructive feedback
- Rarely shares concerns, suggestions, or feedback
- Demonstrates little involvement in discussions or group activities