

## Restricted Data Repository Research Plan

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**Project Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Abstract:** 250 word limit

Applicants must also provide a short (2-3 page) research plan that includes:

1. A statement of the aims of the research
2. A description of the files and variables from the NHATS restricted data that will be used in analyses
3. An overview of planned analyses
4. A description and justification for external data files, if any, that you plan to merge with the NHATS restricted data
5. A statement as to why the unrestricted versions of those variables, if any, are not adequate for your research purposes. For example, “census region” and dichotomous “metro/non-metro” indicators are available for the Sample Person on the NHATS Public Use Files and “month” of interview is available on the Tracker Files. A dichotomous variable indicating if the SP has any APOE ε4 allele is provided in a sensitive file.
6. Please include the following statement in the research plan:  
***I understand all analyses must be reviewed by NHATS staff and adhere to the rules described in the NHATS Restricted Data Vetting Handbook and will review these rules with all co-investigators and research staff.***

Each applicant must also submit:

1. For each Investigator and co-Investigator at your institution, include a curriculum vita or biosketch.
2. A copy of your project’s IRB approval. Included in this folder is a letter from Jennifer Schrack, PI of NHATS, should your IRB require explanation as to why review is requested.