Access to Study Data from HPTN 071 (PopART)

Data from the HPTN 071 (PopART) Study are available for use for research and scholarship. At this time, the data sets available from this study through the policy below include data collected from the study’s Population Cohort (PC), by the Community HIV-care Providers (CHiPs) and from the study team investigating stigma. Data collection instruments and data dictionaries for the available data are available. Posted data are de-identified before release for sharing, with all personal and community identifiers removed. Data sharing for this study is governed by the HPTN 071 (PopART) Data Sharing Policy.

Data Access

Researchers wishing to access the HPTN 071 data who are not part of the HPTN 071 (PopART) protocol team must submit a Data Access Application Form for review by the HPTN 071 (PopART) Publications Working Group (PWG). The form should be emailed to 071PubsWG@hptn.org.

If the PWG approves the concept, then the applicant will be provided a data use agreement form which must be completed and submitted before receiving access to the requested data.

The applicant may NOT share the HPTN 071 (PopART) data beyond the limited circumstances described in the data use agreement. The applicant also may not use the data for other projects or purposes unless the PWG has approved a separate concept/data access application form for the additional work.

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