

NIAAA Data Access Application

The National Epidemiologic Survey on Alcohol and Related Conditions-III (NESARC-III)

Title of Research Project:

Introduction

The National Epidemiologic Survey on Alcohol and Related Conditions-III (NESARC-III) was sponsored, designed and directed by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA). The NESARC-III is cross-sectional, based on a nationally representative sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population of the United States aged 18 years and older. Fieldwork was conducted by Westat through a contract under the data collection authorization of 42 U.S.C. § 285n. Utilizing the NIAAA Alcohol Use Disorder and Associated Disabilities Interview Schedule (AUDADIS-5), the NESARC-III collected information on alcohol and drug use and disorders, related risk factors, and associated physical and mental disabilities. In addition, DNA was obtained through saliva samples. The final sample size was 36,309 and included persons living in households and select noninstitutional group quarters.

Objectives and content areas of the NESARC-III, the fourth national survey conducted by NIAAA, are similar to those of the three prior NIAAA surveys, except for the NESARC-III's collection of saliva samples. Prior NIAAA national surveys included the 1988 Alcohol Supplement of the National Household Interview Survey (fielded by the National Center for Health Statistics), the 1991-1992 National Longitudinal Alcohol Epidemiologic Survey, the 2001-2002 Wave 1 NESARC, and the 2004-2005 Wave 2 NESARC.

Data Access Application Procedure and Access Policy

The NESARC-III contains data from a well-characterized population sample. As such, these data constitute an important scientific resource. It is the view of the NIAAA that their full value can only be realized if they are made available, under appropriate terms and conditions, in a timely manner to the largest possible number of qualified investigators.

Data sets distributed under this policy include only "*limited access data*", *i.e.*, records with personal identifiers and other variables that might enable individual participants to be identified, such as birth date, removed or otherwise modified. Because it may still be possible to combine the limited access data with other publicly available data and thereby potentially identify individual participants, these data sets are not truly anonymous. They are, therefore, only provided to investigators who agree in advance to adhere to established policies for distribution.

Qualified researchers should: (1) complete the Data Access Application form below, (2) provide a fully executed the Data Use Agreement, and (3) provide a copy of the IRB letter of exemption or approval. This agreement is designed to protect the integrity of the data set and assure client confidentiality. Note that the signature and concurrence of your authorized institutional official is also required. This is ordinarily someone from your technology transfer office.

Email: niaaa-dac@mail.nih.gov

(application starts next page)

NESARC-III

Data Access Application

Title of Research Project:

Date of Application: _____

New

Renewal

Applicant/Principal Investigator (P.I.):

Name:

Affiliation:

Title

Address:

Telephone:

E-Mail:

Degree(s) Held:

Major Discipline/Field of Study:

May we contact you in the event that updates are made to the NESARC-III data set and/or documentation?

Yes

No

Authorized Institutional Official

Name:

Affiliation:

Title:

Address:

E-Mail:

FWA # _____

List collaborators and data analysts (including students), if different from applicant. Collaborators and data analysts are herein defined as those individuals who will have direct access to the requested database; individuals who may contribute to scientific papers and other works, but do not have direct access, are not considered collaborators for the purpose of this data access application.

If applicant is a student who wishes to use this data set in a thesis or dissertation, a faculty sponsor must submit this application and self-identify as the Applicant/P.I. Information regarding the student should be provided below.

Collaborators, Analysts, Students and other Users

Name:

Title:

Affiliation:

Address:

Telephone:

Email:

Degree(s) Held:

Major Discipline/Field of Study:

Name:

Title:

Affiliation:

Address:

Telephone:

Email:

Degree(s) Held:

Major Discipline/Field of Study:

Name:

Title:

Affiliation:

Address:

Telephone:

Email:

Degree(s) Held:

Major Discipline/Field of Study:

Name:

Title:

Affiliation:

Address:

Telephone:

Email:

Degree(s) Held:

Major Discipline/Field of Study:

Please add additional individuals, as necessary, in a separate Word document and provide it with this application to NIAAA.

Exhibit A

Research Project Description

Please briefly describe your research plan in the space below.

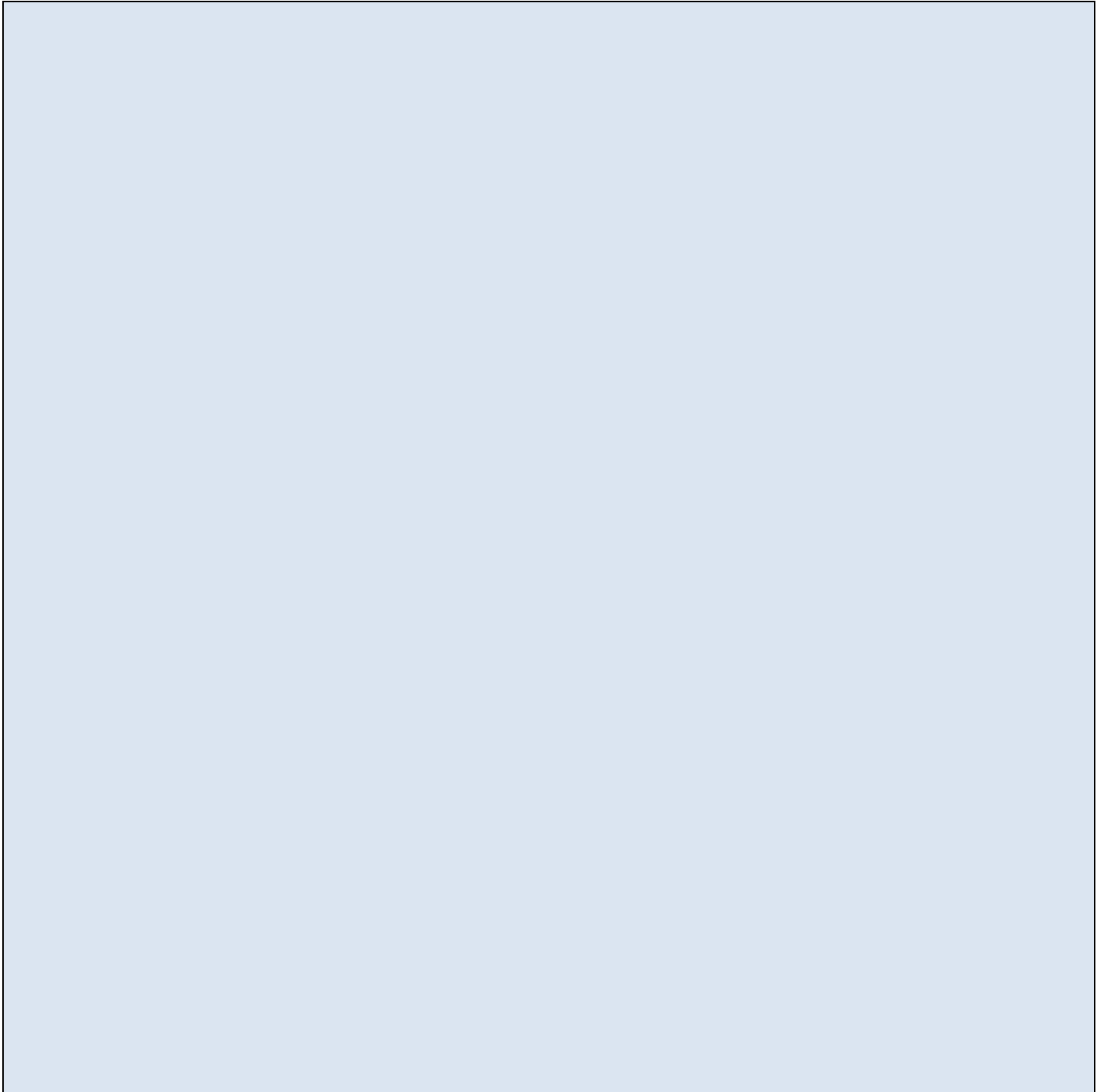


Exhibit A

Research Project Description

Continued - Extra Space

