

Data Release Review Committee

Monthly Meeting Notes



The following documents the meeting convened on 3/5/2025:

Committee Member Attendees:		CIVHC Staff Attendees:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ako Quammie (Contexture)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kelsey Foland	<input type="checkbox"/> Liz Mooney
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andy Woster (CCMCN)		<input type="checkbox"/> Abby Fehler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lucía Sanders
<input type="checkbox"/> Beth Martin (HCPF)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amanda Kim	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maggie Mueller
<input type="checkbox"/> Caleb Wright (Elevance Health)		<input type="checkbox"/> Danielle Evergreen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Martha Meyer
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chris McDowell (Valley Health Alliance)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Darcy Holladay Ford	<input type="checkbox"/> Pete Sheehan
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Essey Yirdaw (Colorado Hospital Association)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hannah Witting	<input type="checkbox"/> Twanisha Parnell
<input type="checkbox"/> Jesse Villines (Craig Hospital)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jacque Lewis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Isaac Nwi-Mozu
<input type="checkbox"/> Megan Denham (Georgia Tech)		<input type="checkbox"/> John Francis (counsel)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Valerie Garrison
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nathan Wilkes (Headstorms, Inc.)		<input type="checkbox"/> Ken Holtschlag	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sheri Herner (Kaiser Permanente)		<input type="checkbox"/> Kristin Paulson	<input type="checkbox"/>

Agenda

10:30 AM	25.06
Requesting Organization:	Institute for Health Research, Kaiser Permanente Colorado
Project Title:	Structural Conditions and Health After Release from Prison (SHARP) Study
11:00 AM	24.49
Requesting Organization:	The Lundquist Institute for Biomedical Innovation
Project Title:	Understanding Disparities in Preventive Care Utilization, Hospitalization and Emergency Department visits Among Children of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Parents
11:30 AM	25.107.10
Requesting Organization:	Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment – Primary Care Office (CDPHE)
Project Title:	State Rational Services Areas Model Innovation

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12:00 PM	25.102.70
Requesting Organization:	Mathematica Inc.
Project Title:	Colorado Option Evaluations

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10:30 AM		25.06
Extract Type:	Identifiable	
Requesting Organization:	Institute for Health Research, Kaiser Permanente Colorado	
Project Title:	Structural Conditions and Health After Release from Prison (SCHARP) Study	
CIVHC Presenter:	Lucía Sanders, Key Account Manager	
Project Presenter(s):	Stacie Daugherty, Senior Clinician Investigator Ingrid Binswanger, Senior Clinician Investigator Komal Narwaney, Biostatistician Morgan Ford, Research Project Manager	
Requested Protected Health Information (PHI):		
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Committee Discussion and Questions

- Lucía provides brief overview of request
- Project team joins call and shares further details
 - Ako: Asking the presenters if they are aware of the Medication Consistency Bill 17019? Second question: as part of this bill, if they are or aren't incarcerated, medication information is available but can differ based on that condition. There are counties that have adopted this program and this info is publicly available.
 - Client responded that they're looking at state prisons vs. county jails because of these populations having very different conditions and considerations.
- Project team drops from call and Kelsey requests further questions from the Committee
 - None

DRRC Recommendation

Does the DRRC recommend this project for production? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
First Motion to Recommend:	Andy Woster (CCMCN)
Second Motion to Recommend:	Ako Quammie (Contexture)
Production condition(s):	No conditions
Are there objections to this project's production? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <i>Production is not recommended if three (3) or more Committee members object.</i>	
DRRC Objector:	Basis for Objection:

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11:00 AM		24.49
Extract Type:	Identifiable	
Requesting Organization:	The Lundquist Institute for Biomedical Innovation	
Project Title:	Understanding Disparities in Preventive Care Utilization, Hospitalization and Emergency Department visits Among Children of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Parents	
CIVHC Presenter:	Lucía Sanders, Key Account Manager	
Project Presenter(s):	Rie Sakai-Bizmark, Associate Professor Frank Wu, Research Associate	
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- Lucía provides brief overview of request
- Project team joins call and shares further details
 - Nathan: The children of these patients would often face adverse birth outcomes. Considering this higher rate of issues that the children may have, are you controlling for that factor in your study?
 - Client responded yes that they will be controlling this based on the ICD 9 and 10 codes that they will be receiving but they cannot really see the language exposure through the data to control for the reading outcome.
 - Nathan: construction of control group – would you need to look at creating one that matches those comorbidities so that you’re looking at like populations?
 - Client responded that they will limit based on the system and not the comorbidity because those providers can change over time.
 - Andy: from codes that identify parents, would they get detail of deaf or hard of hearing pre-laterally.
 - Client responded that this is a limitation of the study but they’d ideally like to do that. They just won’t be able to get that detail from the CO APCD.
- Project team drops from call and Kelsey requests further questions from the Committee
 - Ako: concern about amount of data being requested. Recommends limiting control group. Looking to make these groups being requested smaller geographically and diagnostically.
 - Nathan: Agrees with scale of population being too large.
 - Lucia: Agrees with providing a recommendation for control group being controls that have similar zip codes and similar diagnoses (outside of deaf and hard of hearing diagnoses)
 - Essey: Are we requiring this or asking this be a recommendation? Wants to support this application while also protecting unnecessary PII from being released
 - Lucia: recommends only including DOB for the 0-2 age group and not DOB for other people. Ask CDPHE for crosswalk of matched people, then randomly choose amount of control from there.
 - Martha: Destroy data that’s unnecessary each step of the way – Kelsey agrees

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- Kelsey: Any objections if they reduce this to a 10:1 ratio for control of this study.

DRRC Recommendation

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First Motion to Recommend:	Nathan Wilkes (Headstorms, Inc.)
Second Motion to Recommend:	Essey Yirdaw (Colorado Hospital Association)
Production condition(s):	<p>Data Release Application and Data Element Selection Form correction or modification</p> <p>After receiving matched data from CDPHE, the requestor should limit the ratio of control group to study population to 10:1 and destroy unused data.</p>
Are there objections to this project's production? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <i>Production is not recommended if three (3) or more Committee members object.</i>	
DRRC Objector:	Basis for Objection:

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11:30 AM		25.107.10
Extract Type:	Identifiable	
Requesting Organization:	Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment – Primary Care Office (CDPHE)	
Project Title:	State Rational Services Areas Model Innovation	
CIVHC Presenter:	Amanda Kim, Director of Colorado State Initiatives	
Project Presenter(s):	Tamara Davis, PCO Program Manager Steve Holloway, PCO Director	
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Committee Discussion and Questions

- Amanda provides brief overview of request
 - Originally presented at the January 2025 DRRC meeting; Beth, Ako, and Nathan voiced objections to production.
 - Kelsey reviews HIPAA requirements/considerations for data uses to support public health activities: [Disclosures for Public Health Activities | HHS.gov](#)
- Project team joins call and shares further details
 - They want to go deeper in their exploration of claims data they've already received for 2021. They've provided a code list for reconsideration.
 - Shared further justification for PHI requested and why they need at the very least First name, last name, and DOB for the Melissa "Personator." In addition, presented further justification for PHI requested and why they need at least birth year for the origin destination mapping.
 - Offered just holding PHI for the time it takes to make the calls if that would make DRRC more comfortable.
- Project team drops from call and Kelsey requests further questions from the Committee
 - Ako: still overall concern for amount of data. CDPHE is multiple state agencies but there are several groups that have various access to data. Some of those entities could not claim that they're entities for public health. However, he agrees that the list of diagnosis codes do help narrow this request down.
 - Essey: behavioral health codes, any concerns there? Some SUD diagnosis codes are in there, any challenges for releasing PII related to that?
 - Kelsey: all SUD codes are sequestered in our system and don't get released. The SUD code list CIVHC uses to determine sequestering is from HCPF and ResDAC.

DRRC Recommendation

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Second Motion to Recommend:	Nathan Wilkes (Headstorms, Inc.)
Production condition(s):	No conditions
Are there objections to this project's production? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <i>Production is not recommended if three (3) or more Committee members object.</i>	
DRRC Objector:	Basis for Objection:

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Requesting Organization:	Mathematica Inc.	
Project Title:	Colorado Option Evaluations	
CIVHC Presenter:	Amanda Kim, Director of Colorado State Initiatives	
Project Presenter(s):	Kate Davidson, Manager of Data Science at Colorado Division of Insurance (DOI)	
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Committee Discussion and Questions

Project changing from Limited to Identifiable with the addition of Member Plan ID

- Amanda provides brief overview of request
- Project team joins call and shares further details
 - Looking to map enrollees of Colorado Option accurately – asking for additional PHI (Member IDs) from December’s DRRC review
- Project team drops from call and Kelsey requests further questions from the Committee
 - Ako: Are there 80K folks on the Colorado Option or is it more?
 - Amanda: Number is around that, yes.
 - Ako: understands why they need this.

DRRC Recommendation

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Second Motion to Recommend:	Chris McDowell (Valley Health Alliance)		
Production condition(s):	No conditions		
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