Notice of Availability of Tourette Syndrome Pre-Research Data Center File

Due to small sample size posing an increased disclosure risk, data from the Tourette syndrome module will not be released as a public use microdata file. However, these data can be made available through the NCHS Research Data Center (RDC). In order to help users determine the feasibility of a proposed analysis within the RDC, researchers may access a "pre-RDC" file for preliminary analysis. The pre-RDC file has been perturbed and stripped of all potentially identifying variables.

Users interested in accessing the pre-RDC file must first complete and sign the User's Agreement, which describes the specific protections in place that meet the NCHS confidentiality standards for data users. Each data user who will have direct access to the pre-RDC file must sign the agreement. If emailing the signed user agreements, they must be completely legible, good-quality scans in either PDF or JPG format.

To request a copy of the file or for answers to additional questions send an e-mail to slaits@cdc.gov. The most appropriate staff member will reply as soon as possible.