

NDWS Restricted Data Application Checklist & Next Steps

Please email the materials listed below in a single email with a subject line that begins with “[Data Request]” to info@ndws.org.

Application Checklist:

This checklist is for your reference only and does not need to be submitted with your application.

- ☐ Completed NDWS Restricted Data Request Form
- ☐ Institutional Review Board (IRB) letter of approval or copy of Exempt Status determination/approval/waiver
- ☐ NIH Biosketch for Primary Data User
- ☐ NIH Biosketches for all other project team members
CVs/Resumes only acceptable for team members who do not have a Biosketch

If Primary Data User is a student:

- ☐ Letter of support from an advisor/mentor
- ☐ Advisor/mentor is included as a project team member with data access

Next Steps:

1. Applicants will receive a written decision within 2 to 3 weeks, provided the application is complete.
2. Approved applicants will then be asked to execute the NDWS Data Use Agreement (DUA) before access to the restricted data in LINKAGE can be granted.

Please note: To access CMS data in LINKAGE, additional action is needed after NDWS approves your project. [Details can be found on our website](#) and your project approval letter will contain instructions.