

REDCap in a multicenter trial

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APPEX-19

- Multicenter, international randomized control clinical trial assessing the effectiveness of self-prone positioning at reducing respiratory deterioration in patients with COVID-19
- Designed to be conducted in a pandemic setting
- Relies heavily on REDCap for remote consent and data collection

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Awake Prone Position for Early Hypoxemia in COVID-19 (APPEX-19)



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Multicenter Technical Issues

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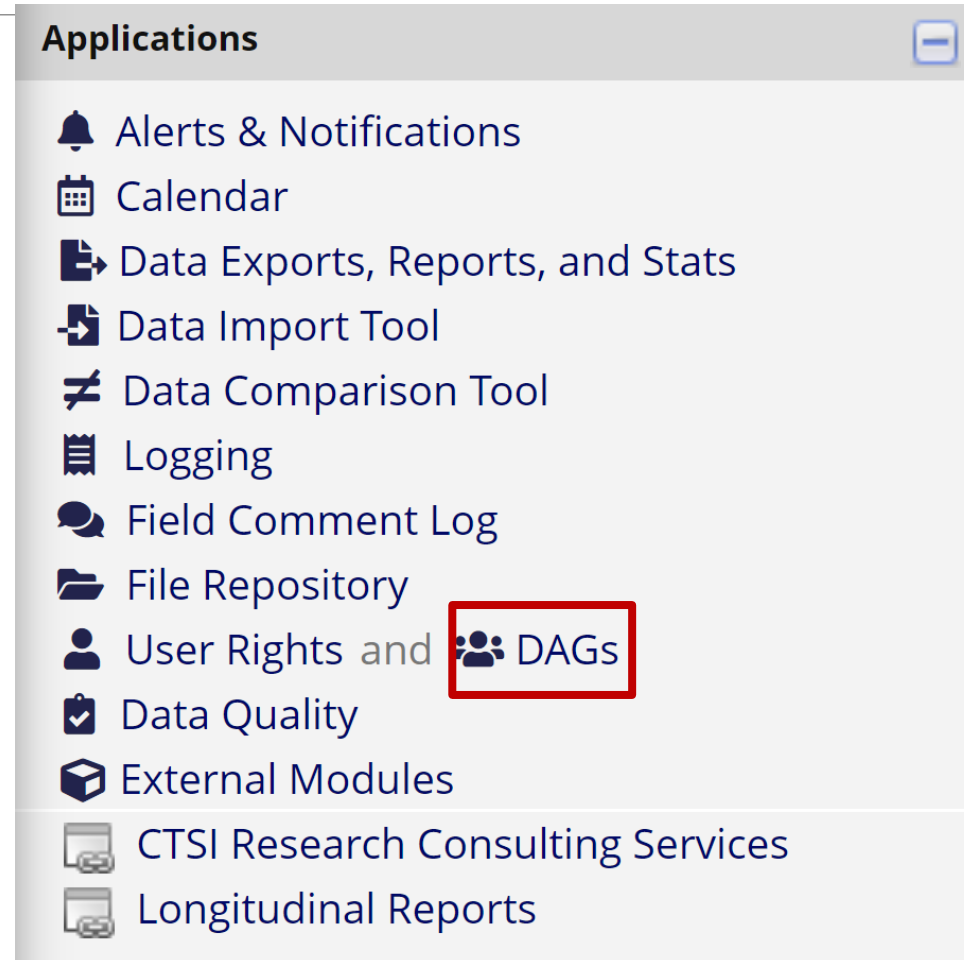
Data Access Groups (DAGs)

Identifies group and restricts viewing of data within a database

- A 4-digit code identifies records entered from a specific DAG
- Users can only interact with records they created or created by other users in the same DAG
 - Apply to all non-core study staff at the primary site
- Users not assigned to a DAG can see ALL data across all sites
 - Apply to PI and core study personnel from the primary site

Essential for multicenter projects

Creating DAGs and Assigning Users









DAGs

Create new groups: Add new data access groups to which users may be assigned.

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Assign user to a group: Users may be assigned to any data access group.

 Assign user to

Data Access Groups	Users in group	Number of records in group	Unique group name (auto-generated) 	Group ID number 	Delete group?
Alvarado		0	alvarado	1671	
Baylor College of Medicine		18	baylor_college_of	1580	

Create data reports by site

Applications

- Alerts & Notifications
- Calendar
- Data Exports, Reports, and Stats**
- Data Import Tool
- Data Comparison Tool
- Logging
- Field Comment Log
- File Repository
- User Rights and DAGs
- Data Quality
- External Modules
- CTSI Research Consulting Services
- Longitudinal Reports

+ User Access: Choose who can edit and view this report

View Access: Choose who sees this report on their left-hand project menu [?](#)

All users - OR -

Custom user access (Users in ANY groups selected below will have access)

Selected users

aabebe.kumc (Abebe Abebe)
aberical (Andrew Berical)
agforema (Alexis Gallardo Foreman)
ajabrowser.piedmont (Aja Bowser)

Selected user roles

BU Data Entry
Core Personnel
Off-site Data Entry
Principal Investigator

Selected DAGs

Alvarado
Baylor College of Medicine
Baylor Scott and White
Boston University

View a list of users who will have access to this report based on the selections above: [View user access list](#)

Edit Access: Choose who can edit, copy, or delete this report (requires user to have 'Add/Edi

All users - OR -

Custom user access (Users in ANY groups selected below will have access)

Selected users

fhoney.respirereseach (Faith Honey)
flygrrl.umich (Kristine Nelson)
franklinnduku.va (Franklin Nduku)
garcia89 (Michael Garcia)

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Data Reports

Patient Study ID patient_study_id	Event Name redcap_event_name	Repeat Instrument redcap_repeat_instrument	Repeat Instance redcap_repeat_instance	Date Randomization Assignment Completed? date_randomization	Which study arm is the patient randomized to?
1584-8	Enrollment			05-28-2020	Control (usual care) (0)
1584-9	Enrollment			05-28-2020	Intervention (prone positioning) (1)
1589-6	Enrollment			05-31-2020	Intervention (prone positioning) (1)
1589-7	Enrollment			05-31-2020	Intervention (prone positioning) (1)
1582-3	Enrollment			06-01-2020	Control (usual care) (0)

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How do I change database privileges between core PI's, site PI's and data entry minions?

User Rights

Allows the Project Owner to designate privileges to other project members

Don't give users more access than they need!

Basic Rights

Role name:

Highest level privileges:

- Project Design and Setup
- User Rights
- Data Access Groups

Privileges for data exports (including PDFs and API exports), reports, and stats:

- Data Exports
 - No Access
 - De-Identified*
 - Remove all tagged Identifier fields
 - Full Data Set

* De-identified means that all free-form text fields will be removed, as well as any date/time fields and Identifier fields.
- Add/Edit/Organize Reports
Also allows user to view ALL reports (but not necessarily all data in the reports)

Settings pertaining to project records: [Explain these settings](#)

- Create Records
- Rename Records
- Delete Records

Data Entry Rights

*NOTE: The data entry rights *only* pertain to a user's ability to view or edit data on a web page in REDCap (e.g., data entry forms, reports). It has no effect on data imports or data exports.*

	No Access	Read Only	View & Edit	Edit survey responses
Patient Consent Form (survey)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Study Personnel Consent Form (survey)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Enrollment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	
First EMR Data Collection	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	
Daily EMR Assessment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	
Daily Body Position Assessment	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
Text Terminations	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	

User Rights

Add new users: Give them custom user rights or assign them to a role.

— OR —

Create new roles: Add new user roles to w

(e.g., Project Manager, Data Entry Perso






- BU Data Entry
- Core Personnel
- Off-site Data Entry
- Principal Investigator
- Site Leader

Role name <small>(click role name to edit role)</small>	Project Design and Setup	User Rights	Data Access Groups	Data Export Tool	Reports & Report Builder
Site Leader	✘	✘	✘	Remove all tagged Identifier fields	✔
Principal Investigator	✔	✔	✔	Full Data Set	✔

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Site Designation

     Variable: hospital_site

Hospital Site
* must provide value

- Boston University
- Baylor College of Medicine
- Baylor Scott and White
- Creighton University
- Mayo Clinic Rochester
- MedStar Georgetown University Hospital
- MemorialCare Long Beach Medical Center
- Piedmont Healthcare
- University of Colorado
- University of Iowa
- University of Kansas
- University of Michigan
- University of Nebraska Medical Center
- Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center
- Alvarado
- Desert
- La Paz

Field Label Use the






Hospital Site

Choices (one choice per line) [Copy existing choices](#)

- 0, Boston University
- 1, Baylor College of Medicine
- 2, Baylor Scott and White
- 3, Creighton University
- 4, Mayo Clinic Rochester

[How do I manage choices?](#)






Branching logic for site-specific questions

     Variable: emr_inclusion_criteria **Branching logic: [hospital_site] = "0"**

EMR Inclusion Criteria
(Check all that apply)
** must provide value*

- Age >= 18 years
- Admitted or planned admission to a COVID-19 ward team
- Admitted within the last 24 hours
- English or Spanish-speaking

Please confirm that patient meets all inclusion criteria

     Variable: inclusion_exclusion **Branching logic: [hospital_site] <> 0**

Meets all inclusion criteria and does not meet any exclusion criteria
** must provide value*

- Yes
- No

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Lessons Learned

Practice! – Pre-production is your sandbox to experiment

- Assign study personnel to different DAGs, create records, create reports, view the data
- Practice records can be deleted before going live

The simplest solution is the best solution

- Branching logic adds sophistication but can also add unnecessary headaches

Questions?
