

CAN DATA BE SHARED?

This Decision tree is used to determine if consent forms permit sharing data with third parties for secondary research on Alzheimer's Disease.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Before data collected in a primary study can be shared with other researchers for secondary research related to Alzheimer's Disease, it is important to determine whether the consent forms under which the data were collected permit such sharing for secondary research. Note that relevant language in even a single study's consent form often changes over time, so it is necessary to analyze each relevant consent form separately and determine which data collected in the primary study are subject to which version of the consent form to conduct accurately this analysis.

This decision tree will help you analyze the consent forms to determine whether they permit the desired sharing. If this decision tree indicates that your desired sharing or uses of the data are precluded by the consent form, you should contact [legal/administrative] colleagues to explore possible alternatives.

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