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Data Sharing Plan (to follow immediately after the Research Plan Section)

Applicants who are planning to share data may wish to describe briefly:

- The expected schedule for data sharing
- The format of the final dataset
- The documentation to be provided
- Whether or not any analytic tools also will be provided
- Whether or not a data-sharing agreement will be required and, if so, a brief description of such an agreement (including the criteria for deciding who can receive the data and whether or not any conditions will be placed on their use)
- And the mode of data sharing (e.g., under their own auspices by mailing a disk or posting data on their institutional or personal website, through a data archive or enclave)

Guidance:

- The precise content and level of detail to be included in a data-sharing plan depends on several factors, such as whether or not the investigator is planning to share data, the size and complexity of the dataset, and the like.
- Investigators choosing to share under their own auspices may wish to enter into a data-sharing agreement.
- References to data sharing may also be appropriate in other sections of the application.
- Please see examples of data-sharing plans.