

Precision Medicine Initiative



# **Top 6 FAQs for Providers**

#### **1** What is the *All of Us* Research Program?

The *All of Us* Research Program is an ambitious effort to gather data from one million or more people living in the United States to accelerate research and improve health. The program will be open to people both healthy and sick, from all communities. Unlike a single research study focused on a specific disease or population, *All of Us* will serve as a national resource for thousands of studies, covering a wide variety of health conditions.

#### Who can join All of Us?

Initially, enrollment will be open only to those who live in the United States, are 18 years of age and older, are able to provide consent on their own, and are not currently incarcerated. In the future, we will expand enrollment to include children and other special populations.

#### **3** What will my patients be asked to do?

Participants will be asked to complete surveys and share information about their health history, lifestyle habits, and environmental exposures over a number of years. Participants may also be asked to provide access to their electronic health records, and to go to a local enrollment center to have physical measurements taken and to provide blood and urine samples.

## Will my patients have access to results and data from the program?

Participants will have access to their own data along with summarized results from across the *All of Us* Research Program. *All of Us* will not communicate directly with participants' health care teams, but participants may choose to share *All of Us* information with their providers.

#### **5** How will you protect my patients' privacy?

The program has numerous safeguards in place to minimize potential risks to data security and participant privacy. For example, we encrypt participant data, keep participants' names and other personal identifiers separate from their health information, and test the security of *All of Us* systems on an ongoing basis.

## **6** Who will be able to access the *All of Us* data?

The data *All of Us* collects will be accessible to researchers in the United States and around the world to accelerate health research and medical breakthroughs. There are strict rules researchers must follow to access the data, to keep participant information private and secure.

### To learn more and to enroll, visit joinallofus.org.

# Key Facts for Providers About the All of Us Research Program

The *All of Us* Research Program aims to build one of the largest, most diverse biomedical data resources ever, with information gathered over time from one million or more volunteers across America. Researchers will be able to access the data for a range of health studies. Their findings may lead to more tailored treatments and prevention strategies in the future, based on individual differences in lifestyle, environment, and biology.

## **Top ten things to know:**

- **1.** Participation is free.
- 2. Patients do not need to change providers to join.
- **3.** Enrollment will not interfere with the way patients receive care from their current health care team.
- **4.** Participants will be asked to complete online surveys about their health history, lifestyle habits, and environment.
- **5.** Participants may be asked to provide access to their electronic health records.
- **6.** Participants may be asked to visit a partner site to have basic physical measurements taken and to provide blood and urine samples. If they do so, they will receive \$25 for their time.
- **7.** The program has rigorous safeguards in place to protect data security and participant privacy.
- 8. The program may last for 10 years or more.
- 9. Participants may withdraw at any time.
- **10.** Participants will have access to their own data and summarized results from across the program.

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