

### Patient Generated Health Data

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#### **Brief Background**



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All of Us Research Program

National Institutes of Health



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#### Overview

- 1. Brief characterization of patient generated health data
- 2. Examples of patient generated data from the All of Us Research Program
- 3. Key considerations for research and real-world applications



### What is Patient Generated Health Data?



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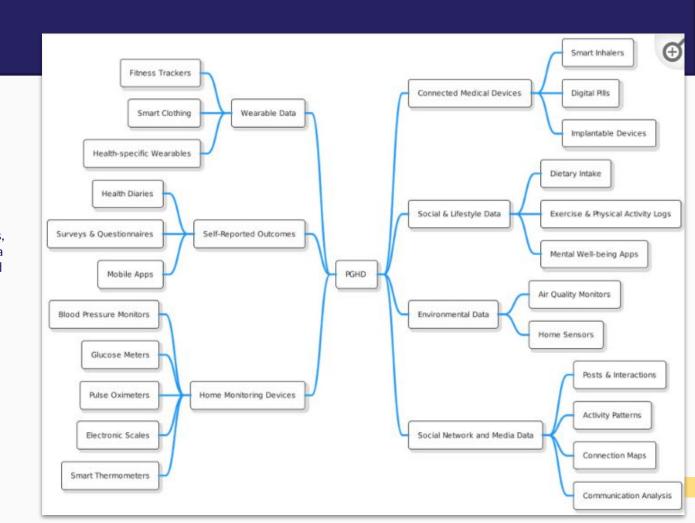
#### **Defining Patient Generated Data**

- Patient-generated health data (PGHD) are health-related data created, recorded, or gathered by or from patients (or family members or other caregivers) to help address a health concern.
- Patients (or proxies), not providers, responsible for capturing
- Patients decide how to share data with providers and additional parties
- PGHD include, but are not limited to:
  - health history
  - treatment history
  - biometric data
  - o symptoms
  - lifestyle choices & behaviors

# Patient Generated Data Types

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#### Potential Benefits of Patient Generated Health Data in Research & Care

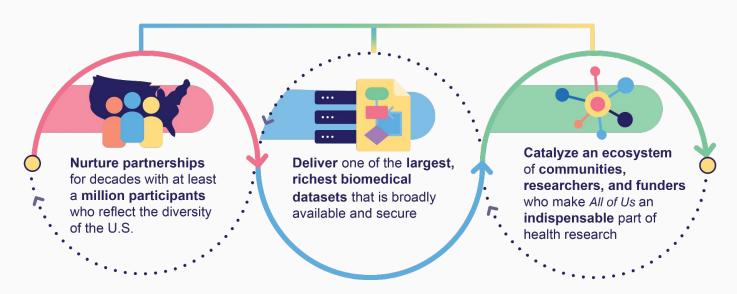
- Gather important information about how patients are doing between medical visits.
- Allow for better patient engagement.
- Provide information for use in shared decision-making about preventive and chronic care management.
- Offer potential cost savings and improvements in quality, care coordination, and patient safety.



# **Examples of Patient Generated Data:** The *All of Us* Research Program

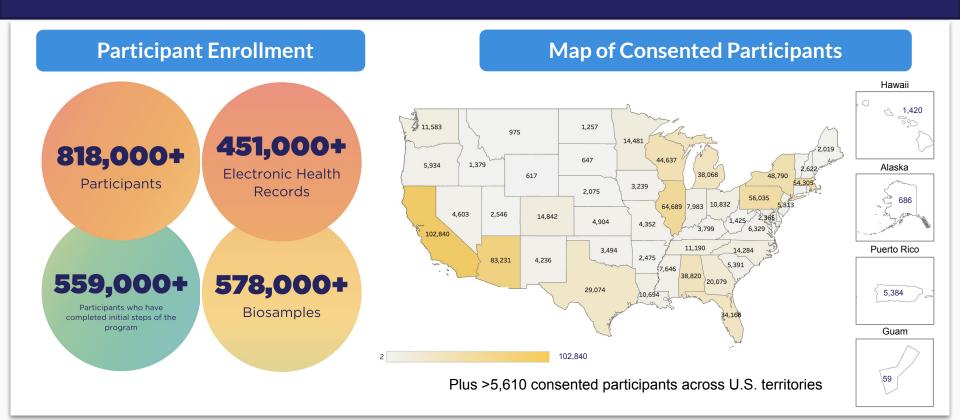
#### The All of Us Research Program Mission

Accelerate health research and medical breakthroughs, enabling individualized prevention, treatment, and care for all of us

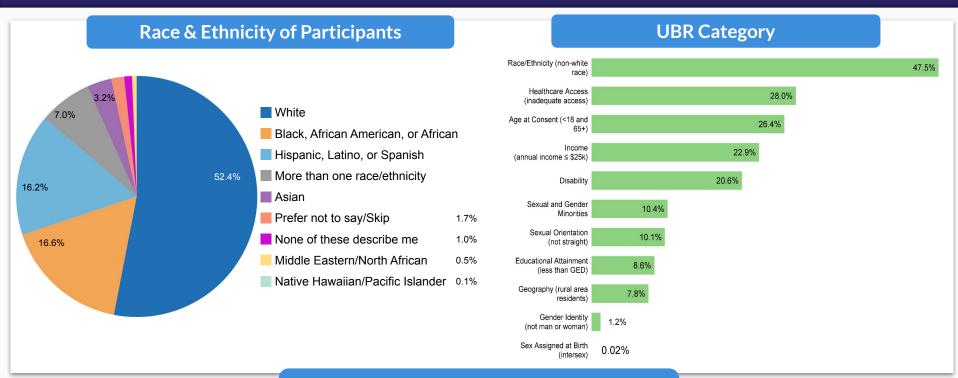


Made possible by a team that maintains a culture built around the program's core values

#### 818K+ Participants Enrolled Across the Country



#### **Participant Diversity**



Over 87% of *All of Us* participants are underrepresented in biomedical research

Numbers current as of July 2, 2024

#### Researcher Data Access

## Data Curation

Raw Data Repository

> Data Harmonization Privacy Methodology QA/QC

# Individual Biospecimen and Participant Data (Available in the Future)

#### **Controlled Tier**

(Available Now)
No obvious PII. Genomics, real dates, eventually
Clinical Narrative data, and more

#### **Registered Tier**

(Available Now)
Surveys, EHRs, Physical Measurements, shifted dates
Exceeds HIPAA Safe Harbor Standards

#### **Public Tier**

(Available Now)

**Summary Statistics Aggregate Counts** 

12/2022

#### **Future Ancillary Studies**

Could recontact participants, use biospecimens, issue new surveys or DHT, enroll in clinical trials





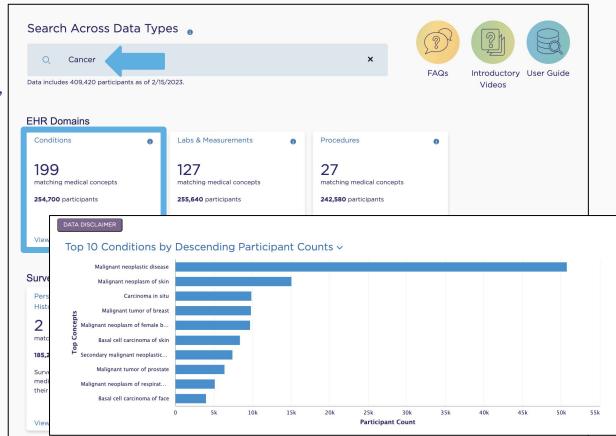
#### All of Us Research Hub: Public Data Browser

#### **Summary statistics of:**

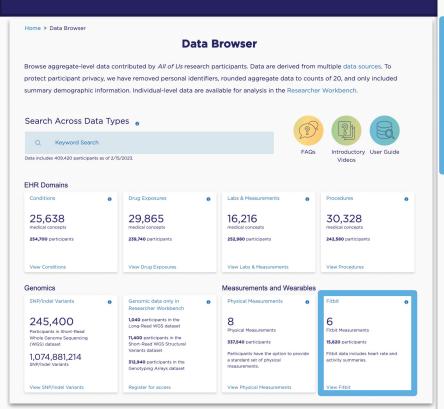
- EHR Data (Conditions, Drug Exposures, Lab & Measurements, Procedures)
- Genomic Variants
- Survey Questions (including COVID-19 surveys)
- Physical Measurements
- Open Access (no login required)

## Data Browser





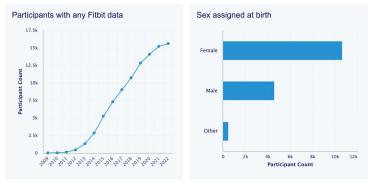
#### **Public Data Browser: Fitbit Data**

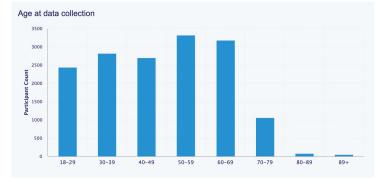


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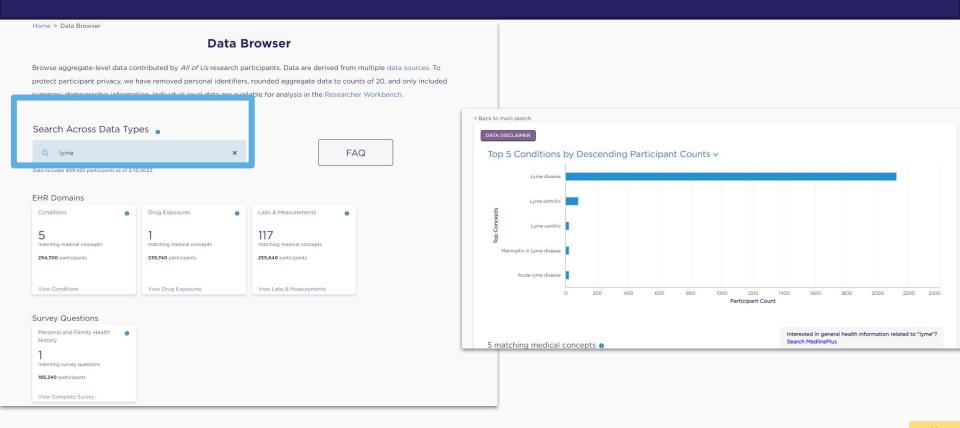


#### Any Fitbit Data





#### Public Data Browser: Lyme Disease-Related Data





# **Key Considerations for Leveraging Patient Generated Health Data**

#### **Consideration 1: Centrality of Health Equity and Access**

- Cannot be an afterthought must be by design
- Research teams & all partners should be mission-aligned
- Accessibility of products and tools for data capture should go beyond the bare minimum
  - Must be designed to promote health literacy & engagement
  - Meeting Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Compliance and Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) necessary but not sufficient for digital

#### **Consideration 2: Create and Iterate via Participatory Methodologies**

- Co-design: Diverse voices included directly in all aspects of the the design process (e.g., defining the problem space, possible solutions, strategies for implementation)
- Iterate early and often

#### Consideration 3: Cultivate Multidisciplinary Teams

- Greater variety of disciplines, the better
  - Increased likelihood of better data & real-world integrations
- Will likely need to spend time creating shared language & understanding

#### **Consideration 4: Ethical Approaches to Data Collection and Uses**

- Informed consent is key, especially among historically underserved and/or vulnerable populations
- Focus on the six Vs (Wesson et al., 2022)
  - virtuosity (equity and ethics of big data)
  - volume (size of data)
  - veracity (trustworthiness of data)
  - variety (types of data)
  - value (usefulness of data for decision-making)
  - velocity (speed with which data are collected/processed)

#### **Concluding Thoughts**

- Patient generated health data has great potential but hasn't been fully leveraged yet
- Existing, diverse, data sets are available to researchers
- Key considerations to guide the use of PGHD include:
  - Centrality of health equity
  - Role of participatory methodologies & iteration
  - Need for multidisciplinary teams
  - Ethical collection and uses of the data

### Thank You!

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