

APPLYING FOR AN ADD HEALTH CONTRACT – Getting Started

The first step in applying for an Add Health contract is to create an application on the CPC Data Portal.

- Go to https://data.cpc.unc.edu/projects/2/view
- On your initial visit to the site to create the application, you will:
 - Choose datasets you are interested in using.
 - See below for information on requesting the Romantic Pairs data.
 - You may add more data requests later by using the "Request more data" button on your application.
- Romantic Pairs data
 - Available only on a Romantic Pairs contract
 - You must request at least one Romantic Pairs dataset AT THIS TIME for your application to be for a Romantic Pairs contract (i.e., this data is not available to the standard Restricted-Use contract).
 - If you request Romantic Pairs data, you are applying for a Romantic Pairs contract; if you change your mind about needing the Romantic Pairs data, you will need to create a new application.
 - ADDITIONAL RESTRICTION ON A ROMANTIC PAIRS CONTRACT: Contract period is two years (not three).
 - ADDITIONAL RESTRICTION ON A ROMANTIC PAIRS CONTRACT: Only ONE user can access the data on this contract (not one-ata-time, but one EVER).
- Click **Cart** in the blue bar at the top.
- Click Proceed to checkout.
- Checkout: Enter your information in the popup window.
- Click Submit.
- You will receive a confirmation email from <u>cpc_dataportal@unc.edu</u>.
- Add Health Contracts also receives that confirmation email; we will send you additional information on continuing your application as soon as possible (from <u>addhealth contracts@unc.edu</u>).

Some notes on navigating the Portal to initiate an application

- <u>https://data.cpc.unc.edu/projects/2/view</u>: To begin your application (or just peruse the data available)
 - \circ $\,$ $\,$ Access to the Add Health data $\,$
 - More information
 - Forms
- Data is grouped together by category (groups).
 - Core Files
 - These datasets are included with all new contracts automatically.
 - There are many other categories (groups); some examples are:
 - Wave IV Biomarker Files
 - Constructed Data Files
 - Disposition Files
 - And so on...
- Core Files are included with all contracts; click Add Bundle.

D Core Files				Add Bundle
Requirements:	Add Health Investigator Information	Add Health DUA	Add Health Security Pledge(s)	

- Hover over pink boxes to read about the requirements for a contract requesting the data.
 - Note that you are not submitting required forms at this point.
 - \circ $\;$ You can start to do that after submitting the basic application.

• Click the **Symbol** that appears before the name of the category (group) to see what datasets are available.



- Submit the application:
 - Click **Cart** in the blue bar at the top.
 - Click **Proceed** to checkout.
 - **Checkout**: Enter your information in the popup window.
 - Click Submit.

Continuing your application at a later time

You will receive an email from Add Health Contracts (addhealth contracts@unc.edu) with notes and instructions on how to continue. We aim to send this email to you within two business days.

Now that you have an active application, you need to log in to the CPC Data Portal like this:

- Use this to get to the Portal: <u>https://data.cpc.unc.edu/projects/2/view</u>
- Click **Login** in the blue bar at the top.
- Log in to the Portal using your Institution's email or Microsoft Account.
- Click **Applications** in the blue bar at the top to see the list of your applications.
- Click the blue ID number to see your application and all the requirements.

If you find the Portal asking you to choose your datasets as you did when you first initiated an application:

- You are on the main Add Health page of the Portal and NOT logged in to your existing application.
- Please do not initiate another application.
- See above to log in to your existing application.

A few helpful notes on the Portal

- Add Health says "Contract" the Portal says "Application" There is no difference.
- Each Requirement has a short description of it please read these descriptions before submitting a form.
- Most Requirements have a "Blank file" to be downloaded, completed, and then uploaded.
- Uploading documents and making requests:
 - The name of the file you want to upload will stay in the box even after you have clicked **Upload**.
 - Look just above the box does it show the document you uploaded? If so, you were successful!
 - The box will empty when you leave that Requirement.
 - No need to email us when you upload a document. Add Health receives auto-generated notification emails for all requests and document uploads.
 - Please do not send documents via email that you have uploaded The duplication is unnecessary and creates more work.
- Responses from Add Health
 - If simple, we will submit a Comment to the Portal and you will receive that information in an email from <u>cpc_dataportal@unc.edu</u>.
 - Else, we will send an email from <u>addhealth contracts@unc.edu</u>.