

# Data Access Committee Protocol

## Publishing requirements – MatCH Substudy

Please also refer to [ALSWH publishing guidelines](#).

### Mandatory acknowledgement

The research on which this paper is based was conducted as part of the Australian Longitudinal Study on Women's Health (ALSWH) by the University of Queensland and the University of Newcastle. We are grateful to the Australian Government Department of Health for funding ALSWH; the National Health and Medical Research Council\* for funding the Mothers and their Children's Health (MatCH) Substudy; and to the women who provided the data.

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### Linked data acknowledgements and pre-publication review

- Please contact [alswhdatalinkage@uq.edu.au](mailto:alswhdatalinkage@uq.edu.au) for a copy of the email template, which includes Data Custodian email addresses and data request references.
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- **National Assessment Program, Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)** – include the following acknowledgement/ disclaimer:

NAPLAN data was provided by the ACT Education Directorate, the NSW Education Standards Authority, the NT Department of Education, the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority, the SA Department for Education, the Tasmanian Department of Education, the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority, and the WA School Curriculum and Standards Authority. These authorities were not associated with, and do not endorse the analysis, comments or findings in this publication. The Australian Institute of Health and Welfare provided data linkage services for NSW NAPLAN data for this project.

Note that currently only NT Department of Education require pre-publication review of study outputs.

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**PEDS-QL** (MatCH questions 58-62 & 65-68)

**SDQ** (MatCH questions 79-80)

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## Ethical statement guidelines

### 1. Survey data only

The ALSWH survey program has ongoing ethical approval from the Human Research Ethics Committees (HRECs) of the Universities of Newcastle and Queensland (ref. H-076-0795 and 2004000224, respectively, for the 1973-78, 1946-51 and 1921-26 cohorts; H-2012-0256 and 2012000950, for the 1989-95 cohort; and H-2014-0246 and 2014001213 for the MatCH Substudy).

#### **Further information on recruitment (if required):**

MatCH (Mothers and their Children's Health) Profile: offspring of the 1973-78 cohort of the Australian Longitudinal Study on Women's Health.  
*Longitudinal and Life Course Studies* <http://dx.doi.org/10.14301/llcs.v9i3.491>

### 2. For linked data, add the following:

*[insert as appropriate]*

The ALSWH also maintains institutional HREC approvals for record linkage (ref. H-2011-0371 and 2012000132, respectively). In addition, access to [AEDC and NAPLAN] is approved by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (ref. EO2017/1/342). [Access to state and territory Perinatal data collections is approved by an appropriate HREC for each jurisdiction].

- If required, specific references for ALSWH and MatCH HREC Protocols are listed on the web site: <https://alswh.org.au/for-data-users/conditions-of-use-and-publishing/publishing-alswh-survey-data/alswh-hrec-approvals/>.

## Consent statement

**If a consent statement is required, please use the following [include if linked data are used]:**

All mothers consented to take part in MatCH and are free to withdraw or suspend their participation at any time with no need to provide a reason. [Linkage of children's AEDC and NAPLAN records is conducted for 74% of children, with explicit maternal consent.]

## Data sharing statement

**The following statement should be used in addition to the standard ALSWH statement:**

The MatCH survey is available at <https://www.alswh.org.au/match/match-data/>. Applications to use ALSWH/MatCH data can be made via the [ALSWH data users online portal](#); see [Applying for data](#) for detailed instructions.

## Upon publication of your research

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## Further advice

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