



Pennsylvania Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PA PRAMS) Data Request Process

Questions 1: Are you requesting aggregate PA PRAMS data?

If **YES**, please fill out the “Pennsylvania PRAMS Aggregate Data Request Form” and submit to the PA PRAMS Coordinator at paprams@pa.gov. Requestors should complete the form to the best of their ability. Questions on how to complete the form should be submitted to the PA PRAMS Coordinator. After the form is submitted, the PA PRAMS Coordinator will work with the requestor to clarify any points of confusion and finalize the request. The date the request is finalized will be noted on the form and signed by the PA PRAMS Coordinator. Both parties will retain copies of the completed form. Any revisions to the data request after the “request finalized” date must be made via email. This includes changes to how the requestor plans to use the data. Data requests will be completed in the order in which they are received. Please allow 3-4 weeks to process your request.

If **NO**, please proceed to **Question 2**.

Question 2: Are you requesting a research file of the PA PRAMS dataset?

If **YES**, you will need to fill out the “Pennsylvania Application for Access to Protected Data” and the “Analytic File Request Acknowledgement Form”, which can be requested from the PA PRAMS Coordinator at paprams@pa.gov. Researchers should carefully review the terms of the data sharing agreement and the analytic file request acknowledgement form before submitting abstracts or manuscripts using PRAMS data for publication. The PA PRAMS Coordinator will log the request and determine if any follow-up information is needed. If no further information is needed, the PA PRAMS Coordinator will instruct the requestor to submit the completed application to the Bureau of Health Statistics and Registries (BHSR) at RA-DHPROTECTEDDATA@pa.gov with a CC to the PA PRAMS Coordinator. The “Application for Access to Protected Data and the Analytic File Request Acknowledgement Form”, will be reviewed and processed by PA PRAMS. All correspondence between BHSR and the requestor shall be CC’d to the PA PRAMS Coordinator. Please allow several months to process your request.

If **NO**, please proceed to **Question 3**.

Question 3: Are you requesting additional birth certificate variables for a multi-state PRAMS data request?

If **YES**, please reach out to the PA PRAMS Coordinator at paprams@pa.gov.

If **NO**, please proceed to **Question 4**.

Question 4: Are you requesting a research file of multi-state PRAMS data?



If **YES**, please proceed to the following Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website and complete the application request for PRAMS data. PA PRAMS staff reserve the right to review all publications which include analysis of the PA PRAMS dataset.

- PA PRAMS staff request all abstracts, oral presentations, and poster presentations based on analysis of PA PRAMS data be submitted to the PA PRAMS Coordinator at paprams@pa.gov for review at least 14 days prior to submission or presentation.
- PA PRAMS staff request all manuscripts and reports based entirely or in part on PA PRAMS data be submitted to the PA PRAMS Coordinator at paprams@pa.gov for review at least 30 days prior to submission.

The acronym “PRAMS” should be submitted as a keyword for any publications. As PRAMS is a collaborative effort between the Pennsylvania Department of Health (PA DOH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), both organizations should be acknowledged in any presentations or publications. Additionally, PA PRAMS may reach out to anyone requesting data and ask for additional information for the completion of PRAMS related or required reports.