NHS Health Technology Assessment Data Management Summary

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This guide summarises the data management and sharing requirements for research funded by the National Health Service Health Technology Assessment (NHS HTA). Please visit their website for further details.

Resource types covered:	All resource outputs generated by the study.
Data Plan:	Relevant data sharing activities should be addressed in the main body of the project proposal, project plan and monthly report.
Data-related funds:	Evaluated on a case-by-case basis.
Retention:	Primary data should be kept for a minimum of 10 years following the end of the funding period. Research records relating to clinical or public health studies should be retained for a minimum of 20 years.
Data standards:	Open, well-documented standards and formats appropriate to the research discipline should be used, where these exist.
Documentation:	Research governance practice should conform with LSHTM SOPs and the UK Department of Health Research Governance Framework.
Data hosting:	Data may be deposited with a data enclave or data archive. Consult http://www.re3data.org/ for examples of relevant repositories.
Sharing timescales:	No time limit is stated. However, researchers are encouraged to follow MRC guidelines, which allows for a limited release embargo to allow for publication of research findings. The NHS NTA request that they are provided with a copy of any research outputs intended for publication at the time of submission or 28 days prior to the publication date.
Rights:	IPR will remain with the host institution. Monographs published by projects through HTA are covered by Crown copyright.
Monitoring:	Self-reporting in progress reports.

References:
- National Institute for Health Research – Health Technology Assessment
  http://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding-and-support/funding-for-research-studies/funding-programmes/health-technology-assessment/

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