

Informational webinar

CRDSA Standard for Sharing Clinical Study Data

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10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. EDT

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Clinical Research Data Sharing Alliance

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Biopharma



Data Platforms



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Service and Technology



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1. The need for standards
2. Scope, structure, and content overview
3. Notable requirements
4. Adoption
5. How you can provide comments

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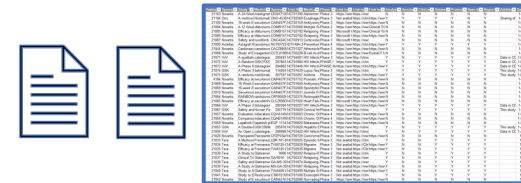
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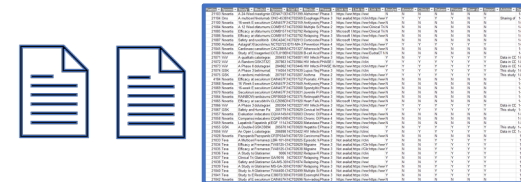
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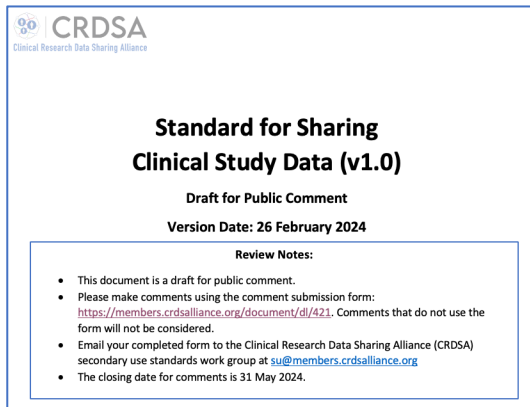


Current State

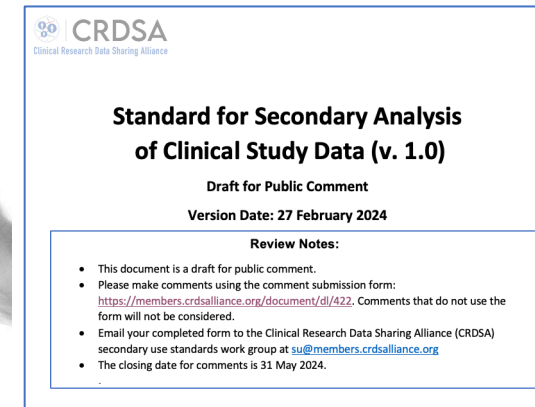
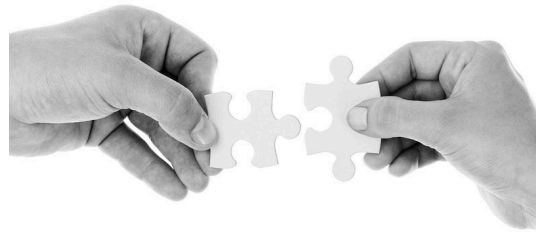
- Data sharing and research planning may be time-consuming
- Analyses may be found not to be feasible after data is provided
- Analysis errors can be made

Why are standards needed?

Data Sharing and Secondary Analysis Standards
work together to enable good science



How to share individual patient data
(IPD) from clinical studies

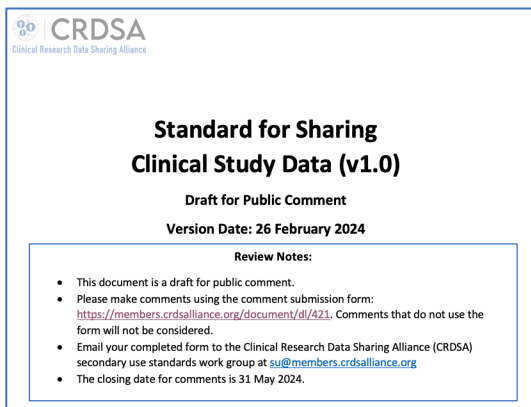


How to use contributed IPD
in secondary research

Scope, structure, and content overview



Data Sharing Standard - Scope



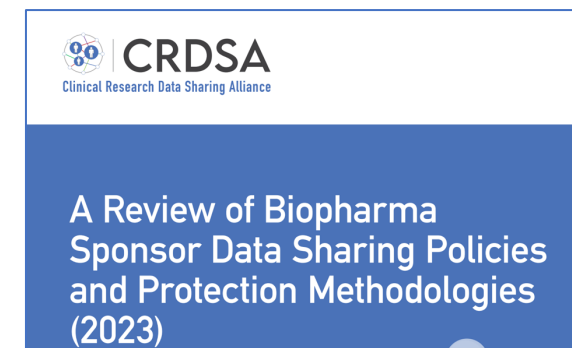
- Includes sharing individual patient data from interventional clinical studies conducted in patients and non-interventional clinical studies using patient data
- Focus is on the data and meta-data to be provided
- Based on CRDSA expertise and CRDSA research – for example:

Establishing a Basis for Secondary Use Standards for Clinical Trials

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Study seeks to understand how different forms of data meet the needs of researchers.

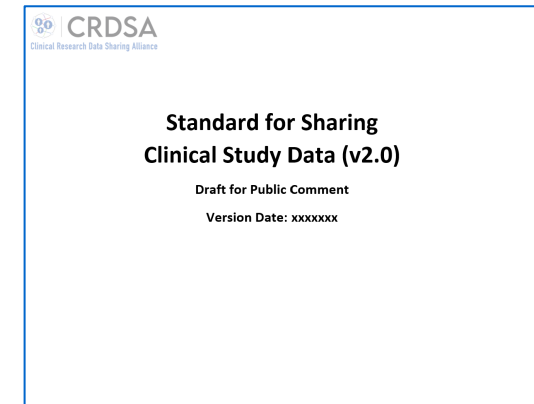
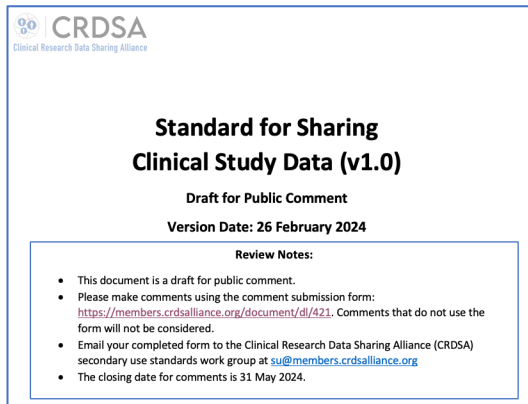


➤ This version of the standard does not include:

- What studies are to be shared
- When studies are to be shared
- How access is to be provided

➤ Updated versions will include these topics

- What studies: All studies/patient studies/ data from secondary analysis?
- When: After publication/regulatory approval/ medicine termination?
- Who: How is access governed?



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Best Practices

- Published literature and information available on data sharing platforms/study registries about ongoing studies and analyses should be reviewed to identify gaps in knowledge or areas where further investigation is needed. The research questions that have been addressed in previous studies and the limitations of these studies should be considered. Areas where there may be conflicting or inconclusive findings, or where further investigation is needed to confirm or extend previous findings, should be identified.
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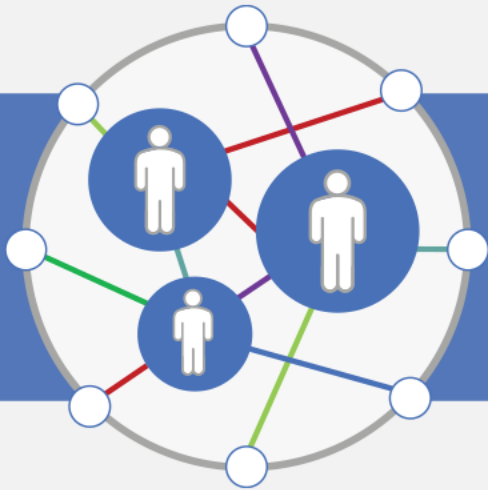
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The principles and criteria may not be applicable for every study that is shared or every analysis that is conducted- a checklist is provided where any deviations or exceptions from the principles/criteria for a shared study or analysis can be explained

Checklist
(for case-by-case exceptions)

PLAN			
		Yes/No/NA	NA Explanation
RESEARCH QUESTION	Is there a documented and well-defined research question and/or hypothesis that is testable using clinical trial data?		
STUDIES	Have studies that include the required data been objectively identified and assessed using predefined criteria?		
TEAM	Does the team have statistical expertise and experience in clinical trial data analysis as shown by statistical qualifications and previous analyses of clinical study data?		
	Does the team include the expertise and skill sets needed to navigate clinical study documents and fully understand the relationship of study designs to the intended analysis as shown by formal training and/or previous research?		
	Does the team include expertise to manage the types of datasets being accessed and use the relevant software as shown by formal training and/or previous research?		
	Does the team include specific expertise relevant for the analysis (e.g., MedDRA expertise for analysis of safety) as evidenced by formal training and/or previous research?		
SAP	Is there a prespecified statistical analysis plan (SAP) dated before the analysis was conducted? Does the SAP include all of the following? <ul style="list-style-type: none">The questions and hypotheses being addressedEffect measure of interest (e.g., for inferential studies: odds ratio, risk or rate ratio, risk or rate difference, absolute difference)The populations and variables to be analyzed, including details of any subjects and data that will be included and excluded		



Content Overview

Data Sharing Standard

- Datasets to be shared
- Supporting documentation and meta-data to be shared
- Data transformation report
- When supporting documentation is to be shared

Benchmarks for Datasets and Documentation



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	Tier 1 25,000 and above		Tier 2 5,000 to 24,999		Tier 3 4,999 or fewer	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
Raw	100%	100%	73%	86%	83%	100%
Analysis	92%	93%	82%	86%	67%	86%
Protocol	100%	100%	73%	93%	83%	100%
Annotated CRF	100%	93%	64%	86%	67%	86%
Reporting and Analysis Plan / SAP	100%	100%	73%	86%	67%	86%
CSR	92%	86%	82%	86%	33%	86%
Data Specifications	75%	79%	64%	86%	50%	71%
Average	94% v. 93% (nominal decrease)		73% v. 87% (19% increase)		64% v. 88% (36% increase)	

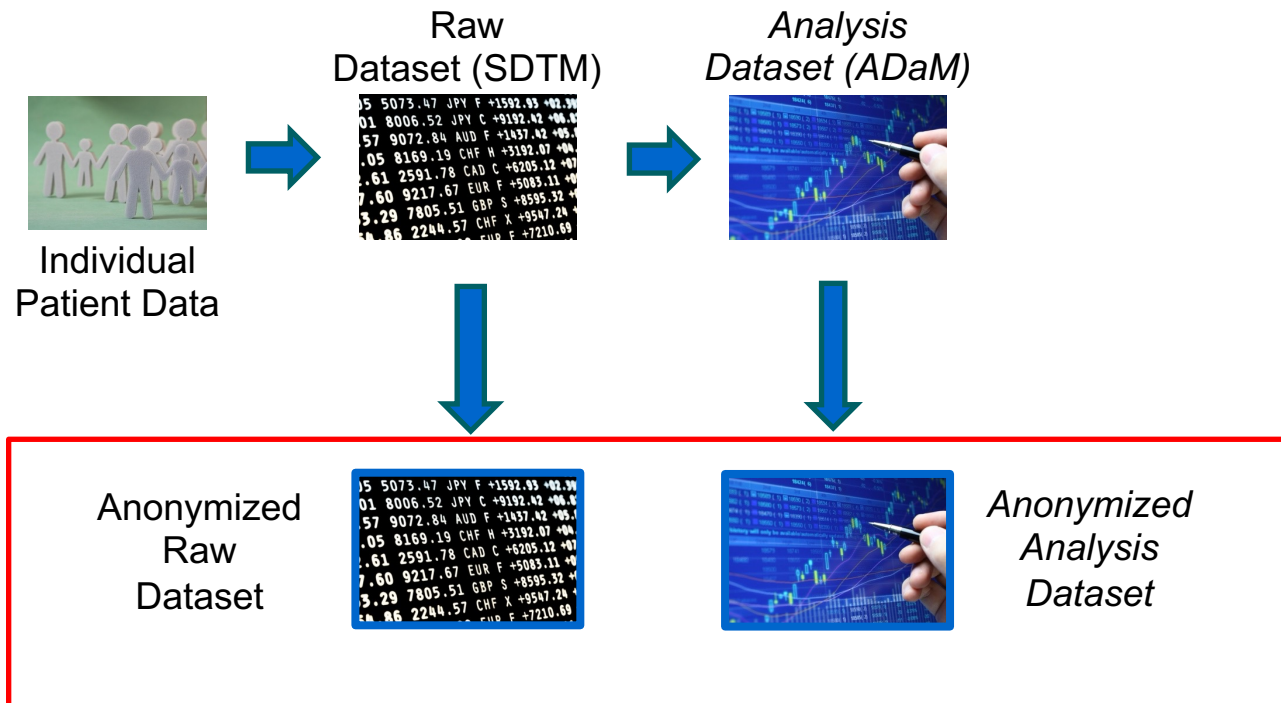
- Commitments to share exceed 80% across all tiers
 - Except Data Specifications
 - Some sponsors are only sharing the CSR synopsis
- Reference CRDSA's 2023 update to "A Review of Biopharma Sponsor's Data Sharing Policies and Protection Methodologies"

Notable Requirements



2.1 DATASETS

PRINCIPLE: ANONYMIZED RAW DATASETS AND ANALYSIS-READY DATASETS ARE TO BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR DATA SHARING



2.2 SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION AND METADATA

PRINCIPLE: SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AND METADATA ARE TO BE SHARED SO THAT RESEARCHERS CAN UNDERSTAND AND USE THE DATASETS. THE FOLLOWING ARE TO BE INCLUDED IN THE DATA CONTRIBUTION:

This includes the core Clinical Study Report
without patient listings

CONFIDENTIAL		2011N121187_00
The GlaxoSmithKline group of companies		HZC102970
Division: Worldwide Development		
Information Type: Clinical Study Report		
Control: Other		
Title:	HZC102970: A 52-week efficacy and safety study to compare the effect of three dosage strengths of fluticasone furoate/GW642444 inhalation powder with GW642444 on the annual rate of exacerbations in subjects with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	
Phase:	III	
Compound Number:	GW685698+GW642444	
Effective Date:	19-APR-2012	
Subject:	COPD, Exacerbation, Fluticasone Furoate, GW642444, Novel Dry Powder Inhaler	
Author(s):	[REDACTED]	
Indication Studied:	COPD	
Initiation Date:	25Sept2009	
Completion Date:	17Oct2011	
Date of Report:	April 2012	
Sponsor Signatory: (and Medical Officer)	[REDACTED] MD Director, Clinical Development Medicines Discovery and Development GlaxoSmithKline	
This study was performed in compliance with Good Clinical Practices and GlaxoSmithKline Standard Operating Procedures for all processes involved, including the archiving of essential documents.		

The Clinical Study Report contains important study details that inform secondary analyses

Study objectives

Investigational plan

- Overall study design and plan
- Discussion of study design and control groups
- Selection of study population
- Treatments
- Efficacy and safety variables
- Data quality assurance
- Statistical methods planned and determination of sample size
- Changes in the conduct of the study or planned analyses

Study patients

- Disposition of patients
- Protocol deviations

Efficacy evaluation

- Data sets analyzed
- Demographic and other baseline characteristics
- Measurement of treatment compliance
- Efficacy results

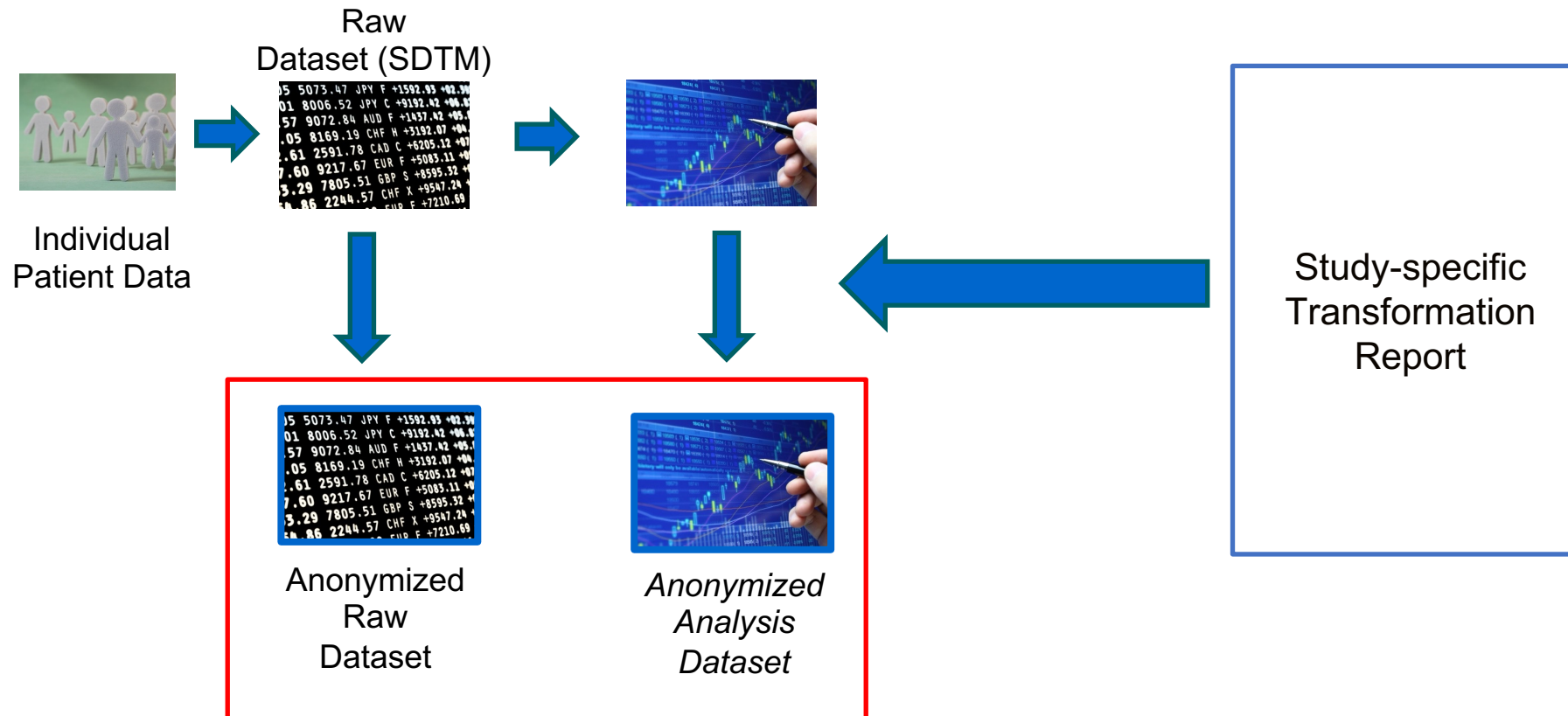
Safety evaluation

- Extent of exposure
- Adverse events
- Deaths, other serious adverse events, and other significant adverse events
- Clinical laboratory evaluation
- Vital signs, physical findings and other observations related to safety
- Safety conclusions

Discussion and overall conclusions

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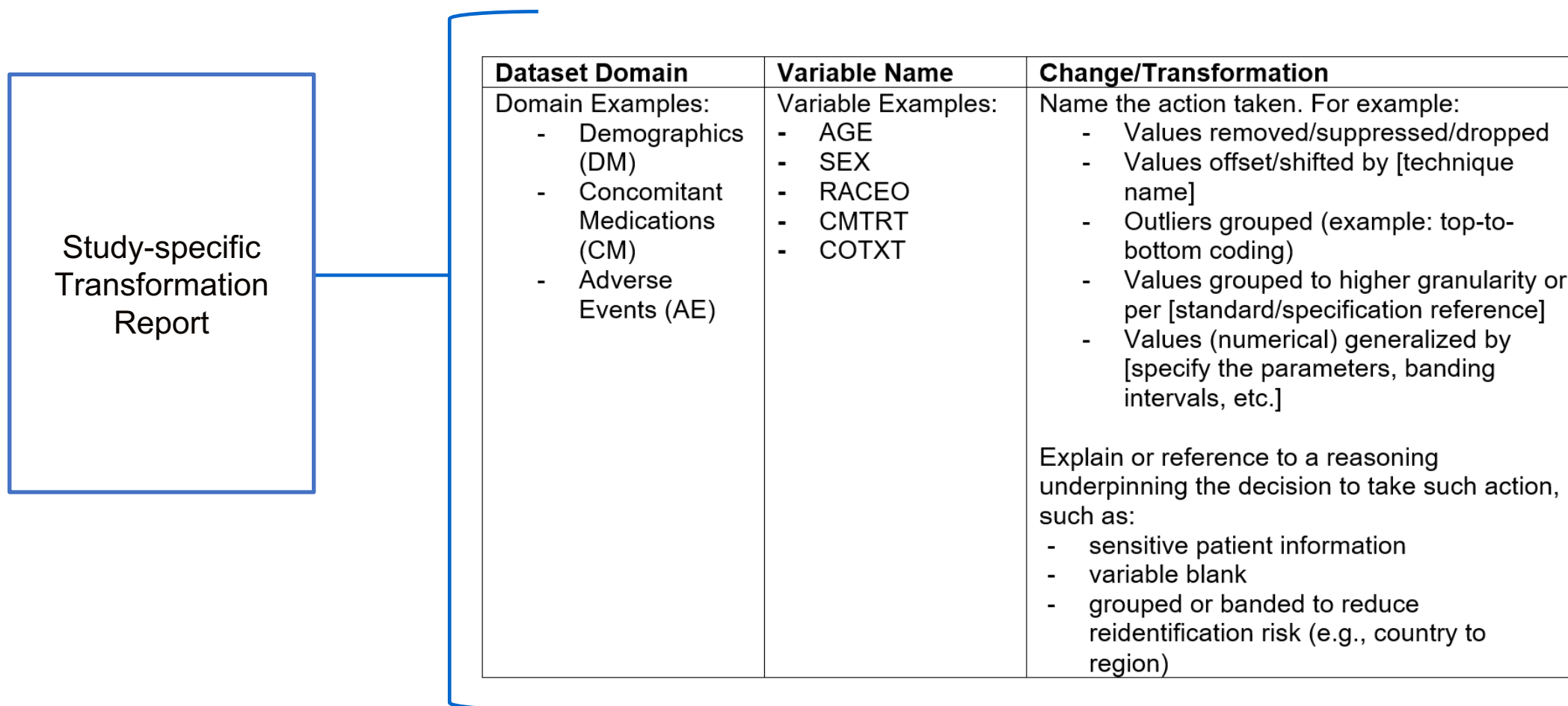
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Study-specific
Transformation
Report

The anonymization and redaction methods used are to be clearly documented and made available with study datasets and documents including:

- Specificity on the risk assessment; application of quantitative or qualitative methodology; and the relevant factors considered in the assessment
- Variables: information on any variables that have been redacted or changed
- Adverse events: information on any changes to adverse events, inclusive of any redactions or reclassifications (e.g., to a high-level group term or MedDRA [9] system organ class)
- Data removal: information on any dataset domains or data types (e.g., genetic data, exploratory biomarkers) that have been removed

2.3.3 Transformation report format: The transformation report is to contain the dataset domain, variable name, the applicable change or transformation made to the variable, and the reason for the action taken. To illustrate, a transformation report may be in the following format:



Notable requirements – When supporting information is to be made available

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- Study results
- Latest study protocol or plan
- Statistical analysis plan

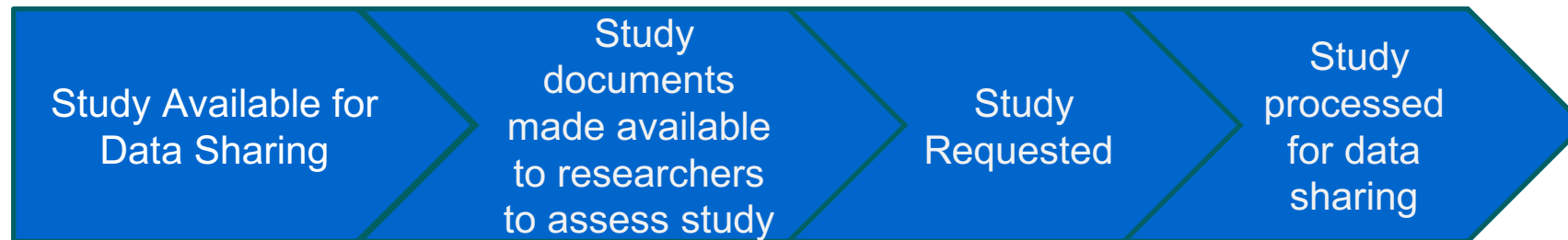
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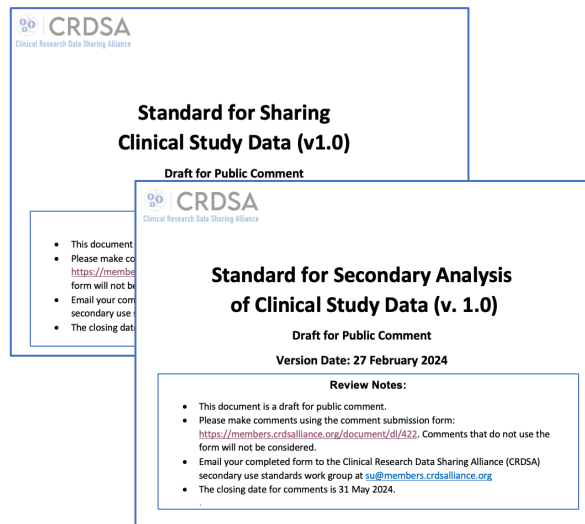
Adoption



The standards can be adopted by data sharing platforms, funders, research institutions, and scientific journals.

When adopting a CRDSA standard, the organization incorporates the principles into their policy (the organization governs compliance with the policy), for example:

“Organization X adopts the CRDSA Standard and requires data contributors/researchers to follow the principles and complete the checklist in the CRDSA Standard”



How to provide comments



How you can provide comments

- The draft standards are available for public comment at: <https://crdsalliance.org/resources/#sus>
- Please make comments using the comment submission form (linked in the draft documents)

CRDSA Secondary Analysis Standard: Comment Template					
Submit to the CRDSA Standards Work Group at: su@members.crdsalliance.org					
Submitting Organization:					
Contact Name/Email:					
Comment #	Comment Type (General, Technical, Editorial)	Section #	Page #	Comment and Rationale (required)	Proposed Change
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- Email your completed form to the CRDSA secondary use standards work group at su@members.crdsalliance.org
- The closing date for comments is 31 May 2024.

Q&A





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Thank you!

For additional resources and
information, please visit:

<https://crdsalliance.org/resources>

