

College of Midwives Research and Outcomes Database (COMCORD)

Application form for access to a research dataset

Researchers may apply to the Research Database Access Governance Group to request access to a dataset from the COMCORD database for research purposes.

Applicants need to demonstrate that their research meets the College's research principles and objectives and the conditions of database access, as stated below.

Principles

The research project:

- Upholds the articles of Te Tiriti o Waitangi
- Demonstrates culturally safe approaches

Objectives

The research project:

- Contributes to midwifery | kahu pōkai knowledges | mātauranga; and/or
- Identifies and supports optimal health for women | wāhine and gender diverse people, their babies and whānau during pre-conception, pregnancy, birth, postpartum and early parenthood; and/or
- Supports and promotes hauora during pregnancy, birth, breastfeeding and infant feeding, in physiological and complex experiences during hapūtanga; and/or
- Considers the midwifery contribution to primary/secondary/tertiary care, education, health leadership and/or public health ; and/or
- Promotes midwifery practice and professionalism ; and/or
- Supports and informs practice, promotes education, enhances learning and development, and/or supports policy/guideline development within maternity service provision.

Conditions of access to the COMCORD database:

- The dataset will only be used for the objectives identified in the research proposal; and
- The transferred information will be promptly and securely destroyed or deleted once it is no longer reasonably required for the agreed purpose(s); and
- The transferred information will be securely stored; and

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- Researchers agree to meet the cost of data extraction; and
- Researchers will submit a manuscript to the College Journal once the project is completed; and
- If researchers are also publishing the research in other journals, they will notify the governance group.

Please note that the Governance Group reserves the right to request further conditions to be met.

To apply for access to a COMCORD dataset, please provide the following:

- A comprehensive proposal, outlining the purpose of the research and the expected outcomes; and
- Copies of the ethics application and approval letter from the ethics committee (or a description of how ethical standards have been addressed, if no application is required); and
- Evidence of relevant Māori consultation and the response from this consultation process; and
- Demonstration that a midwife is part of the research group as a researcher or advisor; and
- A signed copy of this application form.

Agreement by lead researcher

I declare that I have read, understood and accept the above conditions.

Name:

Email:

Signature:

Date:

Please send this signed application form with your supporting documentation to the Research Database Access Governance Group:

Email: research@nzcom.org.nz
Subject line: COMCORD access application
Phone: 03 377 2732