

# Nebraska Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS) Proposal Application Form

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## **Instructions:**

**Are you requesting summary data or analyses that PRAMS calculates for you? For program development, education, or program review?**

**If yes, fill out PAGE TWO. (Summary Data Request Form)**

**Are you requesting a data set that you will use to analyze data for research and/or publication?**

**If yes, fill out PAGE THREE. (Research Proposal Application Form)**

PRAMS is an ongoing, population-based surveillance system designed to identify and monitor selected maternal experiences and behaviors that occur before and during pregnancy and during the child's early infancy among a stratified sample of women delivering a live birth. PRAMS began in 1987 as part of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) initiative to reduce infant mortality and low birthweight. In recent years, PRAMS has been expanded in support of CDC's Safe Motherhood Initiative to promote healthy pregnancies and the delivery of healthy infants.

PRAMS was initiated to help state health departments establish and maintain an epidemiologic surveillance system of selected maternal behaviors and experiences. PRAMS supplements data from vital records and generates data for planning and assessing perinatal health programs in each participating state. Findings from PRAMS are used to enhance understanding of maternal behaviors and their relationship with adverse pregnancy outcomes. PRAMS data can also be used to aid in the development and assessment of programs designed to identify high-risk pregnancy and reduce adverse pregnancy outcomes and to inform policy in each participating state.

In Nebraska PRAMS provides data on mothers and infants that are generalizable to all Nebraska residents who have a live birth in a given year. Nebraska PRAMS stratifies our sample by race/ethnicity and has representative data at the state level for White, Hispanic, African American, Asian, and Native American mothers. We have annual data from 2000-2016.

# Nebraska Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS) Summary Data Request Form

**\*\*Please complete one form per proposal**

<b><u>Main Contact Name, Title, and Affiliation:</u></b>	
<b><u>Contact Information (address, phone, email address):</u></b>	
<b><u>Description of Data Use:</u></b> Please briefly describe how you'll be using PRAMS data	
<b><u>Date Data is Needed:</u></b>	
<b><u>Project Partners (affiliations):</u></b>	
<b><u>Years of PRAMS data requested:</u></b> Phase 8 (2016-2020) 2016-17 available Phase 7 (2012-2015) Phase 6 (2009–2011) Phase 5 (2004–2008) Phase 4 (2000–2003) *You may request single and/or aggregate years of data	
<b><u>Topics/Questions:</u></b> List the topics and/or questions (with question numbers) from each phase of survey for which you are requesting data.  <i>*Topics and questions are included in the PRAMS Survey Topics &amp; Questions document.</i> <i>**PRAMS staff will follow up with you to confirm and clarify your request.</i>	
<b>STOP! If you filled out this table, do not fill out anything below this.</b>	

# Nebraska Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS) Research Proposal Application Form

\*Instructions are on the next two pages  
 \*\*Please complete one form per proposal

Are you requesting a data set that you will use to analyze data for research and/or publication?

<b><u>Principal Researcher Name and Title:</u></b>	
<b><u>Principal Researcher's Affiliation:</u></b> If you are a student please also list the chair of your committee or supervisory faculty	
<b><u>Contact Information:</u></b>	
<b><u>Names and Affiliations of Other Researchers:</u></b>	
<b><u>Proposal Title:</u></b> If you have a prepared research proposal that covers this material, please submit that as well	
<b><u>Timeline of Project:</u></b> Date data is needed Date of expected publication/presentation	
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<b><u>Main Contact for Follow Up with PRAMS:</u></b>	
<b><u>Abstract:</u></b> See below for details	(paste your abstract on page 6 of this application)

# Proposal Application Form Instructions

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**Please provide the following information on the form (above).** Please submit a separate form for each study.

## ***Principal Researcher & Title:***

Write the name of the principal researcher, and include their credentials and title (e.g., Jane Doe, Ph.D, Associate Professor). This person will be the primary point of contact regarding the proposal.

## ***Principal Researcher Affiliation:***

Write the affiliation of the principal researcher (e.g. Emory University, Rollins School of Public Health).

***Contact Information:*** Write the address (in case mail correspondence is needed), phone number, and email address. Email will be the primary means of communication regarding the proposal.

## ***Names and Affiliations of Other Researchers:***

List the names, credentials and affiliations of any additional researchers.

## ***Proposal Title:***

Provide the proposed or working title of the project.

## ***Timeline of Project:***

Describe the timeline of the project, including when you plan to access data and when you will complete your analysis / share your results with PRAMS.

## ***Years of PRAMS Data Requested:***

Indicate the years of data that you would like to request. The PRAMS data has undergone a series of revisions over the years. With each revision, some of the questions change. While most indicators can be compared across phases, it is often easiest to analyze data within a single phase.

## ***Topics/Questions:***

As noted above, PRAMS questions and topics vary lightly across phases. All phases of the survey are available in the *PRAMS Survey Topics & Questions* document available from the PRAMS Coordinator. In this section, list the topics, questions and/or question numbers for which you're requesting data. If requesting data from multiple phases, please note the phase of data with the question number/topic. Staff will follow-up to confirm and clarify your request.

## ***Main Contact for PRAMS Follow Up:***

Once the project is completed PRAMS is interested in outcomes and materials developed using PRAMS data. PRAMS is specifically interested in understanding, "How is life different as a result of the activity/project?" through the lens of short-term, intermediate, and long-term outcomes. Below are examples of each type of outcome.

Short-Term Outcomes:

- Include early outputs of the process such as relevant publications, meetings with stakeholders and other MEASURABLE products or activities.

Intermediate Outcomes:

- Results of the short-term outcomes– what did those products or activities lead to? For example, a media campaign was launched, legislation was introduced and passed, a new program was funded, a program was changed to better address client needs, etc.

Long-Term Outcomes:

- This includes the measurable changes in the behaviors or health outcomes of the target population.
- (e.g., *increase in breast feeding in Hospital A, increase knowledge of folic acid use among teens surveyed by PRAMS, expanded coverage of health care for low income women using Title X clinics, etc.*)

- Or plans to monitor or evaluate the impact of the described activity so that a long-term outcome can be documented in the future.

Additionally, PRAMS requests copies of the following types of materials developed using PRAMS data.

- Testimonials
- Quote from Partner/Participant
- Sample of Materials Produced
- Press Release
- Promotional Materials
- Photo(s) of Project
- Video/Audio Clip

**Abstract:**

Attach an abstract of 500 words or less describing the study. Include the following:

- 1) **Introduction:** Briefly describe the public health problem that will be addressed and why it is important. Specify the affected population(s).
- 2) **Research question(s):** Clearly state the research questions you plan to address with your study.
- 3) **Methods:** Briefly describe the methods you intend to use. Include, when possible, the dependent or outcome variable, independent variables, control or stratifying variables. Detail the descriptive or analytic statistical methods for each research question.
- 4) **Discussion of the intended purpose of your project:** Describe the importance in terms of contribution to gaps in the literature or public health impact.
- 5) **Rationale for using PRAMS data:** PRAMS is a rich data source, but may not be appropriate for addressing all research questions; please indicate why PRAMS would be a good source of data for your study.
- 6) **Intended products:** Please specify type of intended product (e.g., presentation, journal article, *MMWR*, fact sheet, thesis, dissertation)

**Return the completed application by e-mailing the application to [Jessica.Seberger@nebraska.gov](mailto:Jessica.Seberger@nebraska.gov)**

**If necessary, contact could also be made via mail to:**

Jessica Seberger / PRAMS Coordinator  
Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services  
301 Centennial Mall South  
PO Box 95026  
Lincoln NE 68509-5026

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