

Welcome Back! NCI Symposium Webinar

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It is the season of Thanksgiving, and we in ODS want to take a moment to thank each of you for partnering and engaging with us! The support of our cancer community means the world to us, and we hope that we can continue to serve you well in working to ensure that NCI research products benefit each of you and your loved ones. Thank you for helping us to better support cancer research that everyone can learn from and best impact therapies. We hope you'll join upcoming webinars and provide valuable insights that allow continual improvement in our research policies and data lifecycle!

As we ramp up, do not hesitate to contact us, but please expect temporary delays while we work through the backlog of emails, data access and submission requests. We're prioritizing urgent items and will restore normal timelines as quickly as possible. Thank you for your patience and continued engagement.

NCI ODS Symposium Webinar

Title: Cancer Data Sharing in Action: Resources, Impact, and Examples of Data Sharing and Data Reuse

Registration: [Join us virtually](#)

Description: Join us as poster presenters from the ODS Symposium showcase innovative work that highlights powerful resources, inspiring examples, and the far-reaching impact of data sharing and reuse.

Date and Time: December 10, 2025, 1:00-2:30 pm ET

Moderators: Ying Huang and Mousumi Ghosh

Fall Events

NCI Data Sharing Symposium

Day 1 of the 3rd annual ODS symposium provided an informative look into the policy, real world examples, and resources available to make data reuse easier and more efficient. The day included remarks from NCI and ODS leadership, an engaging fireside chat, a poster and demonstration session, and a panel discussion touching on data reuse successes, challenges, and community benefits. We are currently working to make a more detailed summary and recordings of Day 1 available.

Regretfully, due to a lapse in government funding, Day 2 had to be canceled. Look out for announcements as we work to reschedule much of our planned content into virtual events.

NCI Data Jamboree

In merely 1.5 days, 23 multidisciplinary teams worked together to drive new discoveries using pediatric and AYA cancer data. What the teams accomplished in such a short timeframe was truly amazing. The jamboree demonstrated the tremendous value of sharing and using scientific data for novel biological insights. ODS is planning to kick off the data jamboree webinar series in January 2026. Stay tuned!



Announcements

Conduct High-Impact Research with New CCDI Hub Explore Data

The latest additions to the [CCDI Hub Explore Dashboard](#) are data from the Childhood Cancer Survivor Study (CCSS) and Gabriella Miller Kids First Pediatric Research Program in Pediatric T-Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (T-ALL). CCSS data include germline DNA whole-genome sequencing, whole-exome sequencing, and RNA sequencing of tumors that developed later in life in a subset of 517 survivors. The Kids First features addition of methylation array data for 239 samples, which may help further highlight drivers and germline predisposition to disease and aid in disease sub-typing in T-ALL. Head to the Explore Dashboard to access these data!

CCDI Webinar: Advancing Precision Oncology for Retinoblastoma Through Liquid Biopsy

Join us on **Tuesday, December 9, 2025, from 1:00-2:00 pm ET**, for a presentation by Dr. Liya Xu from the University of Southern California Roski Eye Institute and Children's Hospital Los Angeles. During this presentation, you'll learn about the development of a novel aqueous humor liquid biopsy platform for retinoblastoma.

This innovation addresses a long-standing barrier in pediatric oncology by enabling safe, repeatable molecular analysis of tumor-derived cell-free DNA from the eye. The resulting **CLIA-certified test, LBSeq4Kids** (which stands for Liquid Biopsy Sequencing for Kids), demonstrates high diagnostic sensitivity and specificity and supports treatment monitoring and recurrence detection. This approach offers a significant advancement in delivering precision oncology to previously difficult-to-reach tumors.

[Register here.](#)

Meetings

Happening now:

- The Molecular Characterization Laboratory: Providing Essential Genomic Support for Bold NCI Clinical and Pre-Clinical Initiatives. November 25, 9:30-10:30 am ET. [Join](#).
- National Cancer Advisory Board. December 2, 2025. [Agenda and videocast TBD](#).
- Data Centric AI #11: Why open data matters in the age of AI. December 4, 2025, 2:00-4:30 pm ET. [Register](#).
- Getting Started with PolicyMap. December 11, 2025, 3:00-4:00 pm ET. [Register](#).

We'd love to hear from you! Contact the ODS team at: nciofficeofdatasharing@mail.nih.gov

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