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Administrative Data Pull and Randomization

30 messages

Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>
To: "Hyatt,Jordan" <jmh498@drexel.edu>

Tue, Apr 30, 2024 at 1:59 PM

Hi Jordan,

Getting in touch to check in on prep for the administrative data pull and randomization.

Ideally the data pull is done as soon as possible - the longer we wait the more data we will lose for people who might complete a survey but are due to be released soon.

If possible, we also randomize among people who are in the prison this week - that way we avoid selecting people who are new arrivals and never had an opportunity to complete a survey.

Let me know what I can do to help.

Best Wishes,

Britte

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Hyatt,Jordan <jmh498@drexel.edu>
To: Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>

Tue, Apr 30, 2024 at 2:39 PM

Hi,

The first round data pull has been made by Central office. I can share that with you.

Clark has the list of the security exclusions and she should have additions back soon.

More to come!

From: Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 2:00 PM
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Subject: Administrative Data Pull and Randomization

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Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>
To: "Hyatt,Jordan" <jmh498@drexel.edu>

Tue, Apr 30, 2024 at 2:51 PM

Fantastic!

If you share the data pull I will merge it with data we have received in previous rounds to confirm the data lines up.

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Hyatt,Jordan <jmh498@drexel.edu>
To: Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>

Tue, Apr 30, 2024 at 3:09 PM

Attached – PW in WhatsApp

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 **LSRecruitmentData_CEN 2024-04-15.xlsx**
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Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>
To: "Hyatt,Jordan" <jmh498@drexel.edu>

Thu, May 2, 2024 at 5:31 PM

Hi Jordan,

Just got to this and realized I don't actually have the randomization data from wave 4. I have an email from you saying that the randomization happened on 11-29-2024 but I don't think you've ever sent me the randomization outcomes.

Would you be able to send this to me? That way I can check that the exclusions etc. all line up.

Best,

Britte

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Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>
To: "Hyatt,Jordan" <jmh498@drexel.edu>

Mon, May 6, 2024 at 5:26 PM

Hi Jordan,

Just a reminder to send me the randomization data from wave 4 so that I can check the eligibility file for this round.

Best Wishes,

Britte

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Hyatt,Jordan <jmh498@drexel.edu>
To: Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>

Tue, May 7, 2024 at 2:23 PM

This is the updated list sent over by CEN.

Same PW as the last file; also on WA

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 **tbl_00_LSStudyParticipants_202404.xlsx**
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Tue, May 7, 2024 at 4:50 PM

To: "Hyatt,Jordan" <jmh498@drexel.edu>

Hi Jordan,

Thanks for sharing. I went through this list and identified two issues:

- The CEN list includes 1 individual in the control group from wave 1 that to my knowledge was never treated: NN0585. In my list, the assignment is balanced (29(t), 58(c)). The additional individual brings it to 59(c).
- In wave 4, 2 additional individuals appear to have been assigned to the control group in the 0-6 Months Stratum. We've got 18(c) and 8(t) in this stratum.

Once we resolve these issues, I can do a final check of the eligibility spreadsheet.

Best Wishes,

Britte

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Hyatt,Jordan <jmh498@drexel.edu>

Thu, May 9, 2024 at 3:31 PM

To: Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>

Working on this – some folks are out this week.

But, attached is the CHS admin file. They are going to run a new query for us – will have risk (STRONG-R), visits, and program participation, along with some other stuff. It could be really interesting to see how perceptions of satisfaction with access to visits correspondence with the number of visits, etc.

But, that stuff lives in a different system, hence some of the delay, but I asked them to run the standard query as of this week- that's what is attached.

Same PW.

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 **PrisonClimateSurveyParticipantsData_ALL_CHS_20240508 - pw.xlsx**
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Hyatt,Jordan <jmh498@drexel.edu>

Fri, May 10, 2024 at 2:13 PM

To: Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>

Just had a call to figure out what you flagged in your email of May 7.

Both were errors in the code. Wave 1 had a mistaken RA (they were not eligible – enrolled in TC between list first list generation and assignment – a problem only possible in W1). The extra control was the 2nd associated; only one had been removed but both were commented out. So, none of those were ever assigned.

The two extra controls in W4 were pulled in to that table by mistake; neither was assigned.

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 **tbl_00_LSStudyParticipants_20240510 pw.xlsx**
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Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>
To: "Hyatt,Jordan" <jmh498@drexel.edu>

Tue, May 14, 2024 at 10:01 AM

Hi Jordan,

Thanks for sending through this updated list. I went over this as well as the eligibility spreadsheet you sent me earlier on - as far as I can tell, there are no further inconsistencies here with our data - which is a win!

The only two people I identified as "mismatches" between my code and theirs turned out to be both housed in the infirmary (qh6988 and jb3289). If they have since been discharged, we may now wish to mark them as eligible.

Let me know if you would like to discuss this further - I will be away from home this afternoon, but should be home after 4pm.

Best Wishes,

Britte

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Hyatt,Jordan <jmh498@drexel.edu>
To: Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>

Tue, May 14, 2024 at 10:34 AM

Great - I'm in meetings all day - can you let me know the counts by strata they need? Then we can assign next week.

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On May 14, 2024, at 10:02, Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu> wrote:

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Tue, May 14, 2024 at 2:05 PM

Hi Jordan, will do. Will get this to you tonight or early tomorrow morning. Britte

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Hyatt,Jordan <jmh498@drexel.edu>
To: Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>

Tue, May 14, 2024 at 2:06 PM

Sounds good, thank you!

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Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>
To: "Hyatt,Jordan" <jmh498@drexel.edu>

Wed, May 15, 2024 at 6:13 PM

Hi Jordan,

Apologies for not getting to this this morning as I said.

Based on all release dates that have ever been provided to me, there are currently 57 individuals on the unit. I think that is incorrect, which suggests that the release dates were not updated on the spreadsheet you sent to me. Could you ask CHS for an up-to-date list of release dates, ideally accompanied by the nature of their release from CA, as previously provided (e.g. parole, released to ICE, sent back to another unit)?

I also noted that for the one individual below, I have been provided with two different release dates. Could you ask CHS which is correct?

NS1433

2022-09-26 (*Paroled*)

2022-07-19 (*No info on nature of release provided*)

Once I have the list of release dates, I can get you the strata they should be randomizing from.

Best Wishes,

Britte

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Hyatt,Jordan <jmh498@drexel.edu>
To: Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>

Wed, May 15, 2024 at 6:14 PM

Hi,

Its no problem at all – regarding the list, you mean releases from CA?

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Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>
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Wed, May 15, 2024 at 6:17 PM

Yes! I need to know who was released when so that I can figure out who needs to be replaced.

If it helps, I can send you a pw-protected file with a list of people who were treated and their release dates previously provided to us. They could simply update that.

Best,

Britte

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Hyatt, Jordan <jmh498@drexel.edu>
To: Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>

Wed, May 15, 2024 at 6:23 PM

That would be great!

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Wed, May 15, 2024 at 6:24 PM

File attached. It's a list of all people who were ever assigned to CA, their release dates and the reasons for their release.

PW via Whatsapp.

Best,

Britte

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 **240515_release_dates.xlsx**
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Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>
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Tue, May 21, 2024 at 12:35 PM

Hi Jordan,

Did you get this back from the research office?

Best Wishes,

Britte

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Hyatt, Jordan <jmh498@drexel.edu>

Wed, May 22, 2024 at 10:15 AM

To: Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>

It comes from CHS – I reminded them on Monday.

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Hyatt, Jordan <jmh498@drexel.edu>

Thu, May 23, 2024 at 6:17 PM

To: Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>

Same PW!

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240515_release_dates from MT 2024-05-23.xlsx
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Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>

Thu, May 23, 2024 at 7:28 PM

To: "Hyatt, Jordan" <jmh498@drexel.edu>

Great! Will get to this first thing in the morning. B.

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Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>

Fri, May 24, 2024 at 11:42 AM

To: "Hyatt, Jordan" <jmh498@drexel.edu>

Hi Jordan,

Here's what the data show.

There are currently 41 people on the unit. One of those people (qp2712) will be released on 05-29 and should probably be replaced as well. This means that there are $64-41+1=24$ open beds (assuming all cells are in use).

Of the 24 individuals who were released last (including the one individual to be released on 05-29):

- 12 were from the 0-6 month stratum
- 6 were from the 6-12 month stratum
- 6 were from the 12-60 month stratum

Therefore, we should randomly select:

- 36 individuals (12 treated, 24 controls) from the 0-6 month stratum
- 18 individuals (6 treated, 12 controls) from the 6-12 month stratum
- 18 individuals (6 treated, 12 controls) from the 12-60 months stratum

Prior to proceeding, we should confirm:

- that there are indeed 41 individuals on the unit, with the one individual (qp2712) due to be released soon
- that all cells are in use
- that 9 spots were left unfilled last time (because 9 of the 24 individuals released last were released prior to the last randomization date of 2023-11-27)

If those checks reveal any inconsistencies, we can figure out where they are and I can re-run the above numbers for you.

Hope this is useful - ring me anytime if you want to discuss.

Best Wishes,

Britte

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Hyatt, Jordan <jmh498@drexel.edu>
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Tue, May 28, 2024 at 11:48 AM

I called CHS.

Pope said that there are 42 today, but one leaves tomorrow. I don't think that aligns with your note below, correct?

The 64th cell was offline until the end of last week, but all are able to be used again (the sink was broken).

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Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>
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Tue, May 28, 2024 at 5:45 PM

Hi Jordan,

I identified the individual that is causing the issue. Concerningly, my data does not suggest he was ever treated.

Equally concerningly, there are 6 individuals on the unit who were assigned to the control group according to my records, and 6 individuals who my data suggested should be on the unit were not on the unit. All these individuals were treated in

wave 4. This is concerning as it means we can either not trust administrative record-keeping or operational implementation of randomization results for this wave.

Attaching a pw-protected file with the IDs. Will ring you now to discuss.

Best Wishes,

Britte

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Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>
To: "Hyatt,Jordan" <jmh498@drexel.edu>

Tue, May 28, 2024 at 6:03 PM

Hi Jordan,

Good to speak just now and to confirm that the one individual is a commuted lifer and that the error is likely with the research office. It'd be great if you could figure out two things:

- 1) who the controls are for the one commuted lifer who is on the unit
- 2) how the wave 4 list got transposed at central office

I've updated the bins:

Of the 23 individuals who were released last (including the one individual to be released on 05-29):

- 11 were from the 0-6 month stratum
- 6 were from the 6-12 month stratum
- 6 were from the 12-60 month stratum

Therefore, we should randomly select:

- 33 individuals (11 treated, 22 controls) from the 0-6 month stratum
- 18 individuals (6 treated, 12 controls) from the 6-12 month stratum
- 18 individuals (6 treated, 12 controls) from the 12-60 months stratum

I think that means we're ready to go! If you could send me the randomization results as they come in, I'll update the database, which should make everything quicker next round.

Best Wishes,

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Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>
To: "Hyatt,Jordan" <jmh498@drexel.edu>

Wed, Jun 5, 2024 at 3:50 PM

Hi Jordan,

Just following up on this. Has the randomization happened yet? If so, could you share the randomization spreadsheet for this wave with me?

Keeping the following two action points on your radar as well:

- 1) get the control for the one commuted lifer who is on the unit
- 2) figure out how the wave 4 list got transposed at central office - send me a corrected list

As always, let me know if I can help by taking any of this up directly with the research office.

Best Wishes,

Britte

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Hyatt, Jordan <jmh498@drexel.edu>
To: Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>

Wed, Jun 5, 2024 at 3:57 PM

I actually got the file at 3:30 but I'm not going to be able to look at it until tomorrow - the department is going to a baseball game with the students.

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Britte Van Tiem <bvantiem@sas.upenn.edu>
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Wed, Jun 5, 2024 at 4:03 PM

Sounds fun, enjoy!

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