



Your situation

You have *not* informed participants that the research materials, including their personal data, would be shared.

You do *not* hold participants' contact details (e.g. addresses, phone numbers, etc.)

You have promised full confidentiality to participants (that is, only you and your team would access the research data).



You cannot share your data

Promises made at the time of data collection are as binding as a contract. If you have promised participants that research materials (whether personal data or not) will be accessible only by you and your team, you are obliged to keep your promise. Since you no longer hold contact details, and therefore cannot renegotiate the data processing terms and conditions, this is the only choice available to you.



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