



Data and Research Request Form

Thank you for your interest in conducting research with the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology (ABOG). We have a responsibility to protect the confidentiality of the data we provide you and will not be able to provide any data that is not deidentified.

To request to use our data for your purposes, please complete the following form and email it to asparks@abog.org. Completion of this form is not a guarantee that data will be shared. Data requests will be reviewed on a case by case basis on a semi-annual basis. Approvals consider multiple factors: alignment with ABOG's mission, ABOG's resources, ABOG's current projects, and other factors.

Research requests are reviewed twice a year by the Research Committee – in January and June. Please ensure adequate details are provided in the request form to allow for a thorough review. Incomplete requests may delay processing time.

Please note that if your project requires an Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval and you are not able to obtain approval from your institution, you may be assessed a fee for review with ABOG's IRB vendor.

If your request is approved, please note that you *may* be asked for more details and to sign a data sharing and/or research agreement. The agreement will have requirements to protect the confidentiality of the data, and it may restrict usage of the data.

Please also ensure your data/research request aligns with ABOG's research mission and strategic priorities listed below.

ABOG's Research Mission Statement

ABOG will conduct research, both internally and collaboratively with external partners, to assess the relevance and value of initial and continuous certification and to better understand the relationship of certification to GME training, practice outcomes, and lifelong learning.

ABOG's Strategic Priorities for Research

ABOG has identified core topics as high priorities for research. These include:

- Psychometrics and optimization of ABOG assessments
- The relevance and/or value of initial certification
- The relevance and/or value of continuing certification
- Pipeline to certification (residency and fellowship training)
- Practice patterns of certified OB GYNs



- Innovation in assessment research

1. Requester's Information

Name:			
Position/Title:			
Institution:			
Phone Number:		Email Address:	
Office Address:			
Title of Project:			
Data Request Date:		Project Timeline (Start and End Date):	
Purpose of Request (select what you think best applies to your project):		Aggregate data based on calculations from ABOG's raw data <input type="checkbox"/>	Research conducted without ABOG assistance <input type="checkbox"/>
		Research in collaboration with ABOG <input type="checkbox"/>	

2. Data:

(a) Data fields being requested:	
(b) One-time or recurrent request:	
One Time <input type="checkbox"/>	Recurrent <input type="checkbox"/>
(c) How do you plan to interpret and use the data?	



Complete questions #3 and #4 if you are requesting data for a research study.

3. If this is a research study, briefly explain the research methodology.

Not a research study

If this is a research study, please include background, hypothesis, research questions, methods/analysis, and resources required of ABOG. In addition, please explain the importance of the study to Obstetrics and Gynecology or a subspecialty and your proposed dissemination of the results. If this is an operational investigation (i.e., calculation of means, trends, descriptives, etc.), list how you intend to analyze and use the data.

4. If this is a research study, have you obtained IRB approval?

Not a research study

Yes *(please attach when sending Data Request Form)*

Not yet – looking to collaborate with ABOG for the study

No *Please explain why an IRB approval or exemption is not required*