

Consortium Partner Seed Grants



The CPRDC has invited researchers at consortium partner institutions to submit a short two-page seed award proposal that will provide funding for faculty researchers to develop a full research protocol for gaining access to the restricted-use microdata available through the Central Plains Research Data Center (CPRDC). Proposals are currently in process at the University of South Dakota and the University of Iowa. We have found this to be an effective means of stimulating proposal development - five proposal development grants were funded at UNL last year - and we look forward to more proposal submissions.

Featured CPRDC Researcher: Evan Choi



Evan Choi is an associate professor in Child, Youth & Family Studies Program at UNL. His RDC project uses the 2013-2015 National Health Interview Survey (NHIS) to examine the effects of neighborhood characteristics on health outcomes of children from immigrant parents.

Defining immigrant parents as foreign-born regardless of their current citizenship, this study focuses on parents (preferably mothers) and their children. The NHIS data are to be linked to non-NCHS data, including the 2013-2015 American Community Survey (ACS), the 2014-2015 Common Core of Data (CCD) School Files, the Primary Care Service Area (PCSA) version 3.1 data, the 2013-2015 Provider of Services (POS) files, the Food Access Research Atlas, and the 2011 National Land Cover Database (NLCD 2011) at the Census tract level.

The output includes population estimates for the effects of immigrant parents' demographic characteristics, socioeconomic status, acculturation, psychological health, health care accessibility, and neighborhood characteristics (i.e., urbanization, poverty, immigrant populations, schools, health care services, food desert, and green space) on their children's health outcomes (i.e., general health status and behavioral problems), while accounting for the complex survey design.

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Featured Data Set: Moving to Opportunity Data



Moving to Opportunity Data (MTO) provides unique random assignment data from an effort to help low-income families with children living in public or Section 8 project-based housing in extremely poor neighborhoods relocate to "opportunity neighborhoods" for greater self-sufficiency and improved well-being. The MTO demonstration was run in Baltimore, Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, and New York from 1994 through 1998 and involved a total of 4,608 families. The data records are PIK'd (i.e. they have personal identifiers) so they can be linked to other Census Data.

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Presentations for Researchers



We are available to make presentations to groups of researchers at any of our consortium partner institutions. Presentations can be tailored to specific discipline areas.

Requests for presentations can be sent to John Anderson via email, janderson4@unl.edu, or phone, 402-472-1190.

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The Central Plains Research Data Center (CPRDC) is a special research facility at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln that is operated in partnership with the U.S. Census Bureau to provide researchers with approved projects access to restricted-use federal data. Data are available from a number of federal agencies, including the Census Bureau, the National Center for Health Statistics, the Internal Revenue Service, the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and other agencies. Restricted access data sets are typically more detailed and provide finer geographic coverage than public use data sets. A Census administrator is on site to assist researchers in the development of proposals, to facilitate security clearances, and to assist in implementation of approved research projects. The purpose of the CPRDC is to enhance academic research, research infrastructure, and the recruitment of research oriented faculty and graduate students. The CPRDC is supported by a consortium of university entities including the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, the University of Nebraska Medical Center, Iowa State University, the University of Iowa, and the University of South Dakota.

