

Suggested Text to Include ResearchMatch in Grants

ResearchMatch:) is an electronic volunteer recruitment registry that allows people from anywhere in the country to self-register and express an interest in being prospectively considered for participation in research studies and it provides information about those volunteers to researchers who are looking for people to participate in studies, while protecting the privacy of the volunteer. The registry includes all ages, healthy and with health conditions. Researchers that do not have an IRB approved protocol may still register to use ResearchMatch with limited feasibility access which allows them to view aggregate data regarding the registry population. Researchers with recruitment access, however, are able to search for matches appropriate to a study's inclusion/exclusion criteria amongst the non-identifiable ResearchMatch volunteer profiles in the system. ResearchMatch then provides an email link to those volunteers meeting the specified criterion that allows the investigator to send an IRB-approved recruitment message through the secure ResearchMatch clearinghouse to the volunteer. The volunteer expresses their interest in being contacted by the investigator by replying yes, no or not responding to the email. The investigator's ResearchMatch dashboard specific to their study lists those volunteers who reply yes and provides the investigator with the volunteer's contact information. Once a volunteer has authorized ResearchMatch to release their contact information, the research team is responsible for managing the contact per an IRB approved study protocol. The investigators home page also provides aggregated figures/charts displaying volunteer response rates by study.