



NATIONAL DATA ARCHIVE ON NDACAN CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

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The NDACAN Updata is your source for important Archive announcements.

2025 SUMMER TRAINING SERIES

The videos, slides, and R code files from the 2025 Summer Training Series (STS) titled "Life Cycle of an NDACAN Research Project" are now available at the [NDACAN Events web page](#).

OFFICE HOURS

NDACAN Office Hours 2025-2026

For the 2025 - 2026 academic year, the monthly office hours series will feature a workshop or presentation for the first half and open support time in breakout rooms for the second half. Open support topics include dataset basics, study design, analysis, and coding support. Sessions will occur from 11am - 12pm EST on Fridays. A planned schedule of presentation topics is included below.

Free registration is required using the following link:

<https://ucsf.zoom.us/meeting/register/bhRBBkQVTUytMurIhxQPdA>

Fall 2025 Schedule:

First Friday of each month from 11am - 12pm (Eastern Time)

- October 3: Changes to AFCARS Part I
- November 7: Changes to AFCARS Part II
- December 5: Changes to AFCARS Part III

Spring 2026 Schedule:

Second Friday of each month from 11am - 12pm (Eastern Time)

- January 9: Summer Research Institute Informational
- February 13: Flash talks by Outstanding Paper Award winners
- March 13: Publishing with administrative data
- April 10: Flash talks by data users for ongoing projects
- May 8: Applying for grants and fellowships as a graduate student

'LeaRn With NDACAN' Asynchronous Course to Learn R Programming

Following the conclusion of the 2024-2025 live course "LeaRn With NDACAN", it is now available for asynchronous learning. The slides, R code, sample dataset, homework exercises, and videos on the NDACAN website through the following link: <https://www.ndacan.acf.hhs.gov/events/events.cfm>.

CALL FOR DATA USERS TO SEND CITATIONS

NDACAN maintains a reference list of scholarly work produced from datasets in its holdings. You can access the [Child Abuse and Neglect Digital Library \(canDL\) directly](#) or from our [canDL Bibliography information](#) page. Please visit the canDL to check if your publications that used NDACAN datasets are listed, and contact us if you have references to add (NDACANSupport@cornell.edu). When submitting citations, please be sure to include the DOI link. Please tag us on 'X' (Twitter) with [@NDACAN_CU](#) and include a clickable DOI link to the article with the hashtag of the dataset abbreviation and/or number which was used for the study (e.g. #NCANDS, #NYTD, #DS223, etc.).

Featured Publications:

- **Longitudinal Studies on Child Abuse and Neglect (LONGSCAN) ages 0-18**
Allen, B., & Wamser, R. (2025). Child sexual and physical abuse, self-regulation, and problematic sexual behavior: A prospective mediational model. *Developmental Psychology*. Advance online publication. <https://doi.org/10.1037/dev0002046>
- **National Child Abuse and Neglect Data System (NCANDS) Child File, Adoption and Foster Care Reporting System (AFCARS)**
Dworsky, A., Shpiegel, S., & McCrae, J. S. (2025). Child Maltreatment Among Children in Out-of-Home Care: Secondary Analysis of NCANDS and AFCARS Data. *Child Maltreatment*, 0(0). <https://doi.org/10.1177/10775595251356281>
- **Adoption and Foster Care Reporting System (AFCARS)**
Cumulative Risks of Foster Care Placement for U.S. Children: Comparing Birth Cohort and Synthetic Cohort Approaches. Doyle, J. J. Jr., Emanuel, N., and Eyzaguirre, R. *NBER Working Paper No. 34069* (July 2025). JEL No. H73, J13. <https://doi.org/10.3386/w34069>

FORTHCOMING DATASETS

- Dataset #304 Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS), Foster Care AB File 2024
- Dataset #219 LONGSCAN Young Adult/NIDA Data Welfare Workforce Study
- Dataset #TBD Integrated Historical Child Welfare Database (IHCWD)

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For the latest updates on NDACAN activities, make sure to follow us on X (Twitter) [@NDACAN_CU](#). NDACAN curates its X (Twitter) content to highlight the availability and research potential of NDACAN data holdings, trainings, and user support services for child welfare researchers. You are encouraged to follow our feed and tweet your publications or presentations at [@NDACAN_CU](#) to share the various ways that NDACAN is advancing the field of child welfare research.

CALL FOR DATASETS

Research has demonstrated an increased citation rate for publications whose investigators share data. Depositing your data with NDACAN can facilitate long-term preservation and provide researchers access to your data for secondary analysis. The Archive is seeking quantitative datasets to add to our collection. Please contact us (NDACANsupport@cornell.edu) if you have data or know of data that would benefit researchers, or check out the [Contribute Data](#) page of our website.

Are you a member of our Child Maltreatment Research List Serve (CMRL)?

The Archive moderates an e-mail list for discussions of research issues relevant to child abuse and neglect. To subscribe or to alter your subscription, visit our [CMRL](#) page.

NDACAN *Udata* Newsletter Subscription Preferences

NDACAN sends *The NDACAN Udata* e-newsletter to the CMRL membership, to our general mailings list, and to all active users of Archive datasets. If you would like to stop receiving general mailings, but still want updates about datasets that you're using, please [email us using this link](#). If you would like to stop receiving general mailings and you no longer use any datasets, please [email us using this link](#).

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