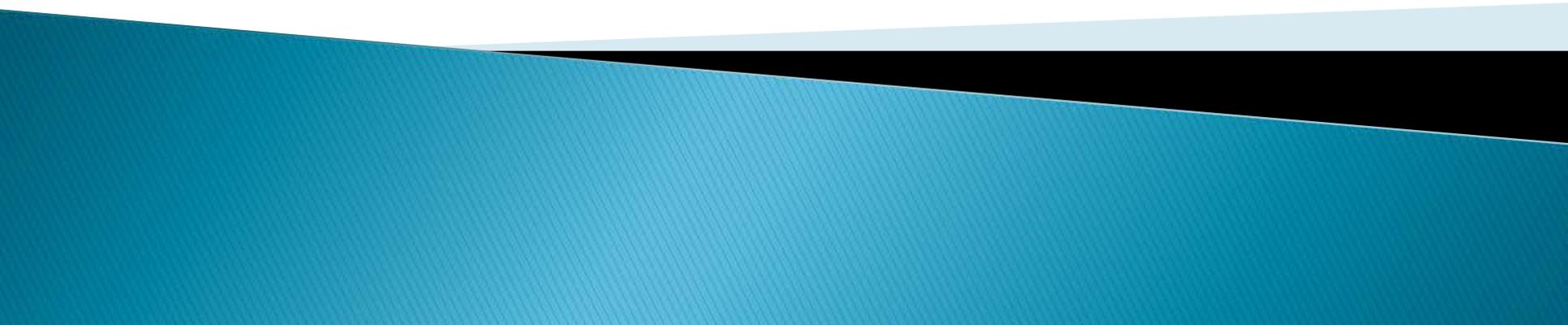


The Research Data Center is Growing: Down, Wider, and Up



Down

- ▶ Starting in FY 2017, the NCHS RDC will be the RDC for health data across the Department
 - AHRQ and SAMHSA are joining their RDCs with the NCHS RDC
 - NCI is exploring the collaboration and will likely join as a partner
 - NCHS data labs will be located in Hyattsville, Atlanta, Washington (Humphrey Building), and Rockville (Parklawn Building)

Wider

- ▶ The NCHS RDC has been increasing the restricted data portfolio from other HHS agencies
 - ASPE, CDC, NIOSH, HRSA, NCI, AHRQ, linked data products, and there are more to come

Up

- ▶ The Census Bureau is creating the Federal Statistical Research Data Center (FSRDC)
 - The thirteen (or something) statistical agencies are coming together to set up RDCs where most of their restricted data can be accessed
 - NCHS has been part of this effort for the last ten years
 - We now account for almost half of the data that are requested in the twenty–six centers (with more coming) across the country

Benefits

- ▶ NCHS data and HHS restricted-use data will become more widely and confidentially available to the research community
 - ▶ Data will be more easily shared throughout HHS
 - ▶ The consolidation of data access and collaboration of data agencies will save the taxpayers millions of dollars
 - ▶ Good for us, all of us
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