SUBJECT: Update & Question Regarding Data Archiving DePICT Int'w Transcript
Dear,
[Introductory personalized matter omitted]
I am writing today as we have been asked by ESRC to share some of our anonymized data through the UK Data Service. I would like to ask you whether you would be willing to give us permission to place an anonymized version of the interview transcript from our conversation onto the UK Data Archive. The anonymization I have performed involved removing all names and places that might allow someone close to identify you (this includes most names and places to be on the safe side). I also removed other words or sentences that might identify you such as the names or descriptions of projects that you were involved in.
You can read more about the UK Data Service here: <a href="https://www.ukdataservice.ac.uk/about-us">https://www.ukdataservice.ac.uk/about-us</a> . We have requested the highest level of data protection, 'controlled data', meaning that the data are only available to users who have been accredited and approved by the Data Access Committee (see: <a href="https://www.ukdataservice.ac.uk/get-data/data-access-policy/controlled-data">https://www.ukdataservice.ac.uk/get-data/data-access-policy/controlled-data</a> ).
If you do not wish for the anonymized version of the transcript of our interview to be made available to other registered researchers, we completely understand and will not upload it.
We are asking you for permission for this because our consent form did not mention archiving for reuse. Rather, it listed only Oxford staff involved in the DePICT project as having potential access to the anonymized data:
"I understand that research data collected during the study may be looked at by designated individuals from the University of Oxford where it is relevant to my taking part in this study. I give permission for these individuals to access my data."
Please let us know what you would like us to do—to share or not share the anonymized transcript—by responding to this e-mail. Again, no pressure—we totally understand if you would choose to not share the data. If you could let us know by the [date omitted], it would be greatly appreciated.
Thank you again for your time!
Kind regards,
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