

## Policy on Stigmatizing Research

The *All of Us* Research Program defines stigmatizing research as any research proposal, project, or question that has the potential to instigate or promote marginalization, discrimination, or loss of status by a person or group of people. Stigma may be inherent in the research design (e.g. the formation of a research question based on prejudicial biases) or a byproduct of the research findings (e.g. the interpretation of findings in such a way as to promote negative stereotypes) and may be intentional or unintentional.

While complete elimination of stigmatizing research based on the use of *All of Us* data resources is likely impossible, the Program takes steps in earnest to prevent resource use with the potential to stigmatize. Conduct of stigmatizing research using the *All of Us* data resources is prohibited, and the Program reserves the right to penalize violators of this policy as appropriate.