Data Linkage Work Packages

Completed

Administrative and Educational Data

Aim: Link CLOSER studies to economic indicators and data on education, in partnership with the Administrative Data Research Centre for England

Studies: BCS70, NCDS, MCS

Geographic Data

Aim: Enable the linkage of British cohort study data with geo-contextual data

Studies: BCS70, NCDS (with supplementary work on MCS and ALSPAC)

Health Data – Hospital Episode Statistics

Aim: Conduct a general population survey on issues around consent to health data linkage and undertake a pilot of such linkage with the CLOSER studies and Hospital Episode Statistics

Studies: ALSPAC, HCS, UKHLS

Linkage in the CLOSER Studies

Aim: Undertake a case study of cross-cohort analysis using primary care and education records to identify practical challenges faced in data linkage

Studies: ALSPAC, NCDS, Whitehall II, UK Biobank, Born in Bradford

Forthcoming

Note: Datasets yet to be confirmed

Primary Care Record Linkage

Aim: Develop a framework for extracting primary care electronic patient records in longitudinal studies

Social Media Data

Aim: Develop a publically acceptable pipeline for using linked Twitter records in longitudinal research and using these to investigate mental health outcomes