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Data management plans (DMPs) encourage researchers to think about how they will responsibly handle the data they collect, and are required by many funders. The National Science Foundation (NSF) requires that all grant proposals be accompanied by a data management plan. Other federal funding agencies have similar requirements or will have soon. This guidance will serve as a starting point to guide researchers through the data life cycle process with available tools either on campus or through the California Digital Library (CDL).

- UCLA Data Management Plan Tools and Guidance
- CDL Examples of Data Management Plans
- NSF Data Management Plan Policy
- NSF Data Management and Sharing FAQs
- UCLA OHRPP Guidance and Procedure: Data Security in Research

Researchers who are required to submit a data management plan as part of a funding proposal may wish to consult the DMPTool. The UCLA Library Data Management for the Sciences provides a guide to best practices for management of research data, including links to data services and selected repositories sorted by broad subject areas.

Please follow the links below for information about on-campus data-storage options.

- UCLA: Guidance on the proper handling of information technology, including personal information, can be found in the UCLA Institute for Digital Research and Education.
- LA Biomed/Harbor-UCLA Medical Center: Information Systems & Technology, Director, Mark Sleet (310) 222-6519 msleet@labiomed.org
- Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science: *not applicable at this time.*

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