MOST 72-MONTH FOLLOW-UP

DATASET DESCRIPTION

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This document describes the MOST 72-month dataset and data issues relevant to analysts. If you are unfamiliar with the data, it may be useful to begin by reviewing the annotated data collection forms to look for variables of interest.

FORMATS

SAS Format Library

The SAS format library (FORMATS.SAS7BDAT) contains all the formats used for the dataset.

DATASET

72-month Telephone Interview and Clinic Visit (V4ENROLL.SAS7BDAT)

Observations: 2715 (1 record per participant)
Annotated Forms: AnnotatedForms_72m.pdf
Variable Guide: VariableGuide_V4ENROLL.pdf
Distributions: Distributions_V4ENROLL.pdf

The 72-month dataset (V4ENROLL.SAS7BDAT) includes only a telephone interview. All participants enrolled at baseline and not deceased or withdrawn from the study were eligible for the 72-month telephone interview. If the participant did not consent to share data, data values are set to the missing value, "Not expected", in the dataset.

Variables are sorted in the order of data collection ("creation order") – as if following the participant from the first telephone screening question to the last page.

Refer to the annotated forms for the temporal context of each variable. Data for some measurement questions was collected for the time period "since the last visit" while for others the time period was fixed (e.g., past 12 months).

Telephone Interview (Variables with 'V4' prefix)

The telephone interview was conducted approximately 72 months after baseline visit. The 72-month follow-up telephone interview was not accompanied by a follow-up clinic visit. The dataset includes the following components:

Knee symptoms (pain, aching, and stiffness)
Knee buckling
Knee injury
Knee surgery
Hip pain
Arthritis diagnosis
Injuries, fractures and falls