

University of Minnesota Healthy Weight Research Center Equipment Loan Program

A primary goal of the Healthy Weight Research Center (HWRC) is to support interdisciplinary research related to healthy weight. To facilitate research development and collaboration, the center has equipment available that may be checked out by investigators for use on related research studies.

This equipment is available on a first come, first serve basis. Researchers are required to reserve the equipment prior to needing it.

Priority for equipment use is given to faculty and post-docs in the Division of Epidemiology and Community Health (EpiCH), School of Public Health.

Equipment loans to investigators outside of EpiCH may be limited to 12 months or less, depending on level of requests for equipment.

Equipment is the responsibility of the researcher upon check out. If a researcher checks out equipment, it is their responsibility to see that it is returned **undamaged, clean, and on time**.

Student use is allowed if a faculty center member agrees to check out the equipment and take full responsibility for the terms of the equipment loan agreement.

All equipment must be checked out and returned to the HWRC Operations Manager, Stacey Moe, at gerl0056@umn.edu). If equipment is not returned, the researcher to whom it was last registered will be held accountable for its whereabouts.

The HWRC reserves the right to deny equipment checkout if the above policy is or has been compromised in the past.

The HWRC may consider committing funds toward the purchase of new equipment for a specific grant submission if the equipment is of benefit to HWRC and contributed to the lending library after use on the project. If this is of interest to you, please contact the HWRC Operations Manager, Stacey Moe at gerl0056@umn.edu. A separate agreement for this would be required.

The HWRC Directors must approve any exceptions to these policies.

**University of Minnesota Healthy Weight Research Center
Equipment Loan Agreement**

This agreement is entered into by _____ and the Healthy Weight Research Center (HWRC) effective as of 9/20/2024 .

1. The HWRC agrees to loan the following equipment for research purposes.

Equipment Description	Manufacturer and Model #	Serial #	Value
10 actigraphs	GT3XP-BTLE monitors		

2. The terms of this agreement shall be effective for the period between _____ and _____ .
3. The researcher shall keep the equipment in good working condition during the term of this agreement.
4. The researcher is liable for any theft, loss, or damage to the equipment whatsoever. Lost or damaged equipment shall be replaced or repaired by the researcher at their own expense.
5. The researcher will keep track of the location of the equipment at all times and will not loan it to others.
6. Any consumable supplies, such as batteries, not listed above will be furnished by the researcher at no cost to the HWRC.
7. Upon expiration of this agreement, the researcher shall promptly return the **cleaned** equipment to the HWRC.

I attest that I have read the above agreement and agree to my obligations as principal investigator under this agreement. I will inform staff working with the equipment of the obligations under this agreement.

Investigator Name:

Investigator Title:

Investigator Signature:

Date:

Study Name: