

ACCESS TO SERPC DATA

A STEP BY STEP GUIDE



Step 1: Ask to Review Available Datasets & Identify Appropriate Level of Access

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Available Datasets

[2019 Southern LGBTQ Health Survey](#)

[2021 Southern LGBTQ Experiences Survey](#)

Levels of Access

Level 1 - Includes numeric data without zip codes

Level 2 - Includes numeric data linked to zip codes

Level 3 - Includes both numeric and textual responses linked to zip codes.

Step 2: Secure IRB Approval

Before proceeding, you must obtain **Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval from your home institution.**

This step is crucial to ensure that all ethical standards for research involving human subjects are upheld in your project.

Step 3: Compile Your Application

To request access to SERPC data, please compile the following information:

- 1. Documentation of IRB Approval:** original IRB application & approval from home institution
- 2. Project Narrative:** A narrative of 1500-2000 words that includes your research questions, methodology, data handling procedures, expected outcomes, and timelines.
- 3. Curriculum Vitae:** Your most recent CV, highlighting relevant experience and qualifications

Step 4: Submit Your Documents

Please submit all the above documents to the Director of the Southern Equality Research & Policy Center (austin@southernequality.org). Ensure that your submission is complete; incomplete applications may result in delays.

Step 5: Data Use Agreement

Upon approval of your application, you will be required to submit a signed **Data Use Agreement**. This agreement outlines the terms and conditions of using our data, including confidentiality measures and restrictions on data use.

Step 6: Data Access

After all formalities are complete, we will provide you with access to the data through a secure means of transfer. Specific instructions on data access and handling will be included at this stage to ensure data security and integrity.