

**PGRN Implementation Working Group
Collaborative Agreement
August 18, 2023**

Background

A number of PGRN members have implemented pharmacogenetic testing into clinical practice or have an interest in pharmacogenetic implementation. There is an interest among these members in working together to collect and share data relevant to pharmacogenetic implementation. This creates an opportunity to combine data in order to create a sample of sufficient size to identify important outcomes or metrics from pharmacogenetic testing or prescription trends relevant to pharmacogenomics. PGRN members are interested in data dissemination, and so embark upon this collaboration in data sharing and aggregation with the assumption that de-identified aggregated data will be used support publications.

Collaborative Agreement

1. The PGRN Implementation Working Group (hereafter referred to as the Working Group) “member” will be defined as an individual PGRN member who is participating in the effort. This AGREEMENT must be signed by each member prior to participation. If multiple PGRN members from the same institutions are participating, each member will need to sign to ensure that all participants agree to abide by the principles set forth in this AGREEMENT.
2. It is expected that there will be two types of members who join the Working Group. First are those from institutions that have implemented pharmacogenetic testing for the topic of interest and have data to contribute to the collaboration. These members will have full access to the aggregate data (pending regulatory approval for data sharing) and will be authors on resulting papers. The other type of member will be those from institutions in the process of implementing who wish to learn from the experiences of others, and may in the future have data to contribute to later efforts. These members will be able to fully participate in conference calls and discussions but will not have access to the data if they do not contribute data, and will not be expected to be authors on resulting papers where they did not contribute data. Exceptions may be made for individuals who bring specific expertise to the analysis of the data. It is expected that there will be some projects that do not involve actual implementation data but collectively describe implementation priorities or have another focus that would be more broadly available to participation and authorship on resulting manuscripts.
3. Working Group members with access to the data agree that viewing these data is associated with responsibility for not publishing or disclosing it without approval of the Working Group members.
4. Working Group members are free to write papers based on their own data before, during, and after the activities associated with this agreement and working group.
5. Working Group members may not write papers based on the data of others, except with explicit permission of those who collected the data. Members may suggest a manuscript idea to

the Working Group that utilizes the compiled data and a decision will be made to move forward as a group.

6. Investigators with specialized expertise in analyzing the data, but who do not fit into either of the groups described above (see #2), can enter the Working Group as a registered collaborator on a project. These collaborators must agree to terms of this AGREEMENT.

7. All information and data are and shall remain the property of the disclosing institution. Neither the agreement nor any disclosure hereunder shall be deemed to vest in the receiving institution any license or ownership rights to the information and data or under any confidential information or inventions, patents, know-how, trade secrets, trademarks or copyrights owned or controlled by the disclosing institution or its affiliates.

8. Access to the Working Group data sets and draft publications is limited to Working Group members who have contributed data and registered collaborators. Those with major contributions to the respective cohorts will be expected to have lead roles in resulting manuscripts, and will have major roles (if they desire) in the analysis approach that is undertaken. Authors of Working Group publications will include all data contributors, data analysts, data curators, and writing group members who have participated in the working group project. The general rule for authorship order will be lead authors at the beginning and end, usually by level of contribution, and all other co-authors will be listed alphabetically in the middle. It is anticipated that there will be one designated leader of a specific project and the ultimate decision about author order at the beginning and end will reside with him/her, after consultation with these leading authors.

9. With publication of project data, the PGRN and the Working Group will engage in appropriate dissemination and announcements.

10. The signee understands that membership in the PGRN is required for participation in the Working Group and attests that they are currently a PGRN member and will maintain their membership throughout their participation with the Working Group.

Name _____

Affiliation _____

Signature line _____

Date _____