Plan Overview

A Data Management Plan created using DMPTool

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Roles and responsibilities

The Data Management Plan should outline the rights and obligations of all parties with respect to their roles and responsibilities in the management and retention of research data. It should also consider changes to roles and responsibilities that will occur should a project director or co-project director leave the institution or project.

This research will be conducted in time frame of two months from fifth March to end of April 2015. The head of the research team will choose a team of ten people who will carry out the research through data collection and analyzing. This team will be trained in a period of two weeks. The head of the team will manage and monitor the data management plan. The research is likely to receive funds from Meru University Research Department of 246700 this includes training cost, payment to the workers and other charges.

Expected data

The Data Management Plan should describe the types of data, samples, physical collections, software, curriculum materials, and other materials to be produced in the course of the project. It should then describe the expected types of data to be retained.

WhatsApp users who are negatively or positively influenced are to be determined. Data to be collected is in form of integers. Data in the research will be captured through feeling in of questionnaires by the university students (counting numbers). The data collected is to be physically stored in hard copies which are to be hand written and the back up in the software Microsoft Excel.

Period of data retention

NEH is committed to timely and rapid data distribution. However, it recognizes that types of data can vary widely and that acceptable norms also vary by discipline. It is strongly committed, however, to the underlying principle of timely access. In their DMP applicants should address how timely access will be assured.

The original data is to be retained by the chief investigator will retain the right to use the data until the specific reason of carrying out the research is accomplished. After this, the data can be used up to wider use. The data collected can also be posted in the internet.

Data formats and dissemination

The Data Management Plan should describe data formats, media, and dissemination approaches that will be used to make data and metadata available to others. Policies for public access and sharing should be described, including provisions for appropriate protection of privacy, confidentiality, security, intellectual property, or other rights or requirements. Research centers and major partnerships with industry or other user communities must also address how data are to be shared and managed with partners, center members, and other major stakeholders.

The transformations that will be necessary is preparation of data in powerpoint presentations which would make it easy to prepare the data in form of graphs and pie charts. The metadata will take the author's name, date of data collection and a short summary of the analyzed data. Since the data collected is not sensitive, there are no ethical and privacy issues therefore the data will be freely accessible in the internet.

Data storage and preservation of access

The Data Management Plan should describe physical and cyber resources and facilities that will be used for the effective preservation and storage of research data. These can include third party facilities and repositories.

The collected data is the data to be stored in the Microsoft Excel as soft copy will be stored in the Google search engine for preservation. The analyzed data is to be stored for a short time while the collected data is to be stored for the long term. The data bearing the author's name, date modified and the file size will make the data reusable. Information about the writer will be deposited.