

Practicing allowable, safe research

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Keep your communities, families, and especially your Elders safe

Absolutely **NO** direct face-to-face research activities are permitted at this time

Physical distancing of 6ft is not a suitable alternative in the context of research. That means, you cannot sit with anyone you are not already self-isolating with – that is, no one outside of your immediate household.

If you are wondering what research activities might be safe to continue during this pause of face-to-face contact, consider the following:

Research activities that are safe to do / continue

 <p>Meetings via phone, video chat, or other media channels -> <i>as long as everybody remains in their own home</i></p>	 <p>Interviews, focus groups, any information collection possible via phone or video chat -> <i>as long as everybody remains in their own home</i></p>
 <p>Ask participants to share knowledge or document research-related activities via audio or video recordings, then send to you -> <i>as long as they interact only with others already in self-isolation with them in the same house</i></p>	 <p>Create versions of questionnaires, assessment tools, etc. that participants can fill out electronically and return via email or use free software like fillable PDF, Google Docs, Google survey, or SurveyMonkey</p>
 <p>Transcribe interviews / recordings (<i>independently at home</i>)</p>	 <p>Work on archival resources or analyze existing data (<i>independently at home</i>)</p>
 <p>Write reports, articles, or newsletters to share electronically, and if co-writing, send these to collaborators using Google Docs or by email (<i>independently from home</i>)</p>	 <p>Create videos/films/short docs with the footage and recordings you already have or are currently being sent remotely to share your findings with others (<i>independently from home</i>)</p>

TIP: To exchange larger files, consider WeTransfer (for images or audio) or YouTube/Vimeo (for videos – set to ‘private’)

This resource was created for the members of the NE7OLNEW Research Collective but sharing this resource is encouraged for those whom it may assist.

