

GET WITH THE GUIDELINES[®] RESEARCH TIMELINE

AFib, CAD, HF and Stroke modules



4. MANUSCRIPT

- The authors draft a manuscript for publication.
- GWTG mentor advises authors on AHA guidelines.
- All authors review and approve the final draft.
- Within 6 months of receiving the Data Analytic Report, the lead author must submit the finished paper to AHA for review.
- The paper is reviewed for validity and quality. Papers may be approved, revised and resubmitted, or declined.



2. STATISTICAL ANALYSIS PLAN (SAP)

- AHA's data analytic center develops SAP based on the data, module, years, tables, figures, variables, statistical methods, etc detailed in the proposal.
- Authors review, revise, and approve final SAP.
- No additional analyses or changes may be made once SAP is approved.



1. PROPOSAL

- Submit to AHA as a standard or Young Investigator Award proposal.
- Each proposal is reviewed and scored for merit, novelty, and feasibility. Proposals may be approved, revised and resubmitted, or declined.
- If approved, the project is assigned a GWTG mentor familiar with the data sets.
- The lead author signs the AHA Non-Disclosure and Data Use Agreement.



3. DATA ANALYTIC REPORT

- AHA's data analytic center runs statistical analyses based on the approved SAP.
- Faculty statisticians review and verify results.
- Statisticians send the Data Analytic Report to the authors.



5. PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATION

- Lead author notifies AHA when the manuscript is submitted to journal and provides updates on the journal's response.
- Each project is allowed one cycle of data refinement in response to peer reviewer comments.
- Upon journal acceptance, lead author notifies AHA and provides publication information.
- Authors work with AHA to promote the research findings.

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Resuscitation module



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2. DATA ANALYTICS

- AHA's data analytic center sends the current GWTG Resuscitation data set to the lead author.
- Authors and statisticians run analyses on the data.



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