

## COVID Impact Survey Guidance Document

NACC strongly recommends that Centers collect the complete COVID Impact Survey v2 form from every participant. It was developed to capture additional data on hospitalizations, vaccinations, and major effects of the pandemic. COVID has had a significant impact on the population over 65 years of age and this data could assist in our understanding of the cognitive effects from COVID infections. If new infections, hospitalizations, or vaccinations have occurred, please use this form to capture the new data at each follow-up visit.

NACC has released a REDCap XML file to use in REDCap. It can be found at <https://naccddata.org/data-collection/forms-documentation/covid-19-v2> The REDCap survey can be given to participants on an iPad while they are in the waiting room or emailed to participants to fill out at home.

Instructions can be found here:

1. **Waiting Room:** Instructions for using the survey on iPads in the waiting room can be found within the XML document under “Project Dashboards” titled “Survey dissemination instructions.”
2. **Email to participants:** This survey can be sent to participants using email and participants can fill it out in their homes before a visit to the clinic. Instructions on how to set up the form to send to participants can be found within the XML document under “Project Dashboards” titled “Survey dissemination instructions.”

Some Centers have expressed concerns about the length of the form. The COVID Impact Survey form is not a mandatory form and we want to collect as much data as we can. If your center would like to provide data for a subset of questions, please use the following guidance for data submission (when COVID data submission is available- sometime in Fall 2023).

### Guidelines to Optimize the COVID Data Submission:

1. **Be sure that your variables match the data submission variables.** There were several changes to the NACC XML project that altered the variables as we finalized the header variables on the form. We appreciate your patience as we develop this process. As with all UDS form submissions, the variable names must be consistent.
2. **Minimize the form.** Use the appropriate code for “decline to answer” throughout the form. In most cases this will be 8.