1) What is the AAOS Registries Analytics Institute?
   In February of 2019, AAOS announced the launch of the AAOS Registries Analytics Institute with the goal of providing the scientific community the opportunity to submit proposals for Registry analytical data as a resource to help advance and improve orthopaedic and musculoskeletal care. The structure of the Institute utilizes the AAOS Research Projects Subcommittee (RPS) to provide oversight and constructive peer review of all data request applications. To ensure appropriate representation, a subcommittee of experts will meet regularly and review all applications.

2) Who can request this data?
   Investigators with a well-defined hypothesis related to orthopaedics or musculoskeletal care are encouraged to apply. For this initiative, “investigators” do not include representatives from industry, federal agencies, commercial entities, insurance companies, administrative databases, or hospital consortia.

3) How do I request access to this data?
   There will be three application cycles opened annually. The application deadline for the first cycle is April 5, 2019, with two additional cycles occurring throughout the year. The application process consists of two phases: a preliminary review, and a full application review. As applications make their way through the review funnel, they will be evaluated by AAOS Registry Analytics staff, the AAOS Research Projects Subcommittee and the AAOS Data Committee, which consists of surgeon and industry leaders. Application and details are located here.

4) What are the dates of this year’s application cycles?

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* Applications can be submitted until 7 pm (Central Standard Time) on the day of the deadline. Submissions received after the deadline will be deferred to the next review cycle.
5) **What happens when my final application is approved?**  
Applicants whose projects are approved will work directly with the AAOS Registry Analytics team to develop a plan and timeline. At the completion of the project, investigators will receive a completed, de-identified analysis.

6) **What type of data is available for research projects?**  
Currently, descriptive analyses will be offered. The Registry Program collects data related to patient, hospital, surgeon, comorbidities, complications, and patient-reported outcomes. A list of full data elements can be found [here](#).

7) **Are there limits or restrictions on how the data can be used or published?**  
Depending on how the data will be used (i.e., manuscripts, scientific journals, etc.) it may be subject to review. Each approved project will work with the AAOS Registry Analytics team to help through this process. The publication policies and review protocol can be found [here](#). (Please provide link to AI web page)

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