Health care providers collect data in an electronic health record during a patient visit. Researchers have a study idea using those data, but discover there are not enough patients to do the study locally. The researchers consider partnering with other sites to find more patients. But, they are worried collaborating will be complicated.

Carolina Collaborative members have harmonized their patient data to allow researchers to query and obtain data across sites. Carolina Collaborative staff can help with data requests, identify co-investigators, and navigate the regulatory process. With Carolina Collaborative, our researchers kick off their research study – made better through collaboration!

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