WHO ICTRP Crawling Service

Conditions of Use

The ICTRP Search Portal provides access to a central database containing the trial registration data sets provided by the registries of the ICTRP Registry Network. This data is publicly available and has been centralized by ICTRP and reformatted for the purposes of rendering it accessible through the ICTRP Search Portal.

The ICTRP Search Portal Crawling Service allows users to interrogate the ICTRP database of clinical trials in real time by crawling HTML pages. In essence, this means that an agreed partner website can access, crawl and index HTML records from the ICTRP database.

All users of the ICTRP crawling Service are required to comply with the conditions of use described in this document. Failure to comply with these conditions will result in withdrawal of the ability to use the crawling service.

Access and use of the ICTRP Crawling Service is conditional upon acceptance and compliance with the terms, conditions, notices and disclaimers contained in this document. The ICTRP may amend the Conditions of Use at any time by posting the amended Conditions of Use onto the ICTRP Website. You should visit the ICTRP Website periodically to review the Conditions of Use. If you violate any Conditions of Use your right to use and access the Crawling Service automatically terminates.

General

It is not the intention of the ICTRP to provide specific medical advice. The ICTRP requires users of the ICTRP Crawling Service to in turn make it clear on their site that their users should consult with a qualified physician regarding personal health/illness-related questions.

Although the data providers to the ICTRP database meet certain criteria for quality control and content, the ICTRP cannot guarantee that information about clinical trials provided on and through the ICTRP database is complete, accurate, reliable or current. Records may contain inaccuracies or typographical errors.

All information on the ICTRP database is subject to modification on a regular basis without notice.

The ICTRP will make every reasonable effort to provide users of its Crawling Service with continuous access to the service. There will, however, be occasions when the service will be unavailable for use (including for maintenance).

The ICTRP has the right to change or discontinue any feature of the Crawling Service.

Your use of the ICTRP Crawling Service is at your own risk. The ICTRP will not be responsible in any manner for any harm, loss or damage, however caused, arising from your use of the service. We will not be responsible for any detrimental reliance that you may place upon the Crawling Service or its contents.

Access to the ICTRP Crawling Service requires an electronic identification which consists of user name, password and potentially other security measures. You are responsible for the safekeeping of this access information. You may not sell, share or publish your access information.

The user must not use the ICTRP Crawling Service in any manner or for any purpose which is unlawful or in any manner which violates any right of the ICTRP or which is prohibited by the Terms and Conditions.
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Who may use the Crawling Service
The ICTRP Crawling Service is available for use only by organizations that use the service in ways consistent with the ICTRP Strategic Plan.

The ICTRP Crawling Service is available to the public for research purposes only. A partner granted access to the crawling service shall not under any circumstances charge any fee to any third parties accessing the data contained in the ICTRP.

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What are the resource implications
This is an additional service provided by the ICTRP in response to requests from potential users. The ICTRP Secretariat needs to recoup the costs of conducting the work necessary to provide the service to potential users. The cost charged by ICTRP for accessing the ICTRP crawling service can be provided upon request.

Questions
If you have any questions about the ICTRP or these conditions of use please contact ictrpinfo@who.int.

Definitions
ICTRP Crawling Service: allows Crawling Service Users to crawl the ICTRP database of clinical trials in real time by using webpages and hyperlinks created especially for this purpose.

ICTRP database: a central repository containing data provided to the ICTRP by its data providers (see http://www.who.int/ictrp/search/data_providers/en/index.html)

Acronyms
ICTRP: International Clinical Trials Registry Platform
WHO: World Health Organization