

## Categories of WHI Investigators for 2020 and beyond [modified April 2020]

The WHI has defined three categories of investigators and specified their corresponding rights and responsibilities with respect to use of WHI resources.

Title	Qualifications	Rights	Responsibilities
<b>WHI Investigator</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current or recent (within the past 5 years) Principal Investigator of a primary data collection site or the CCC.</li> <li>• Current chair or co-chair of a standing WHI committee (Steering Committee [SC], Ancillary Study Committee [ASC], Outcomes Adjudication Committee [OAC], Stroke Adjudication Committee, Presentations and Publications Committee [P&amp;P], Performance Monitoring Committee [PMC], Scientific Resource WG [SRWG]).</li> <li>• Named on a current WHI contract.</li> <li>• Current or recent (within the past 5 years) member of the NIH Program Office team for WHI.</li> <li>• Current Lead of a Scientific Interest Group (SIG).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Propose manuscripts or ancillary studies.</li> <li>• Sponsor a colleague in proposing manuscripts or ancillary studies.</li> <li>• Nominate oneself or a colleague to be a co-author of an approved manuscript.</li> <li>• Nominate oneself or a colleague to be a committee member.</li> <li>• Download data under a Data Use Agreement (DUA).</li> <li>• Invited to WHI Investigator meetings.</li> <li>• Propose individuals to become Associate Investigators</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comply with WHI policies.</li> <li>• Lead and participate in the scientific productivity program.</li> </ul>
<b>Associate WHI Investigator</b> (if not a WHI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current member of a standing WHI committee (ASC, OAC, P&amp;P, PMC, Stroke Adjudication Committee, SRWG)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Propose a manuscript or ancillary study (without sponsorship by another WHI Investigator).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comply with WHI policies.</li> <li>• Lead scientific activities (e.g.,</li> </ul>

Investigator)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prior WHI Scientific Interest Group (SIG) lead within the past 5 years.</li> <li>• PI or MPI of a current extramurally funded Ancillary Study</li> <li>• Prior PI or MPI of an extramurally funded Ancillary Study within the past 5 years</li> </ul> <p><i>Individuals currently in these positions will be considered Associate WHI Investigators and will not require nomination and approval through the SC.</i></p> <p><i>Other individuals may qualify for Associate WHI Investigator status, based on engagement with and contributions to WHI; e.g. mentor of junior faculty developing WHI papers or ancillary studies, proposer/lead author of published WHI manuscripts, scientific contributions and collaborations, etc. A current WHI Investigator may nominate a qualified individual for Associate WHI Investigator.*</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nominate oneself to be a co-author of an approved manuscript.</li> <li>• Nominate oneself to be a committee member.</li> <li>• Download data under DUA associated with P&amp;P and ASC mechanisms.</li> <li>• Invited to WHI Investigator meetings.</li> </ul> <p>(Does not sponsor or nominate other investigators)</p>	publish a manuscript or develop an ancillary study for funding).
<b>Legacy WHI Investigator</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No longer meeting criteria for WHI Investigator or Associate WHI Investigator and having a history of major contribution to WHI 5 or more years ago as Past PI or co-I (i.e. named on the contract) at CCC, Regional Center, or original WHI site.</li> <li>• Contributions to WHI made 5 or more</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nominate oneself to be a co-author or committee member.</li> <li>• Invited to WHI investigator meetings.</li> <li>• Initiate an AS or manuscript using standard procedures (see website)</li> </ul>	Comply with WHI policies.

	<p>years ago while employed at the NIH.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Past WHI chair of a WHI standing committee.</li> </ul>	<p>(Does not sponsor or nominate other investigators. Not authorized to download data under DUA except through P&amp;P and ASC mechanisms).</p>	
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*\*Nomination of Associate WHI Investigators:* Individuals who qualify as Associate WHI Investigators may be nominated based on their service to WHI through participation in WHI activities and scientific contributions. A WHI Investigator will submit the nominee's CV and provide a statement about the nominee's WHI contributions to the Steering Committee (SC). Associate WHI Investigator status will be confirmed by a majority vote of the SC.