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2016 Networking to Enhance Development Conference **Closing the Loop: Sharing Research Results with Participants**

Studies show that people who participate in research want to know the results of their participation.

Generally, sharing results is not considered as part of the study process, unless it's anticipated that there will be clear clinical relevance.

This type of engagement is getting increasing attention, with a range of arguments in support.

Benefits of Providing Results

- Demonstrates respect and the value of their participation
- Transparency promotes trust and engagement with research
- Benefits retention

Considerations

- Study population
- Type of study
- Type of results: individual vs. aggregate
- Relevance to ongoing health
- Timing
- Method and logistics of sharing results (lay language!)
- Consent to receive results
- Participant response
- Risks of disclosure