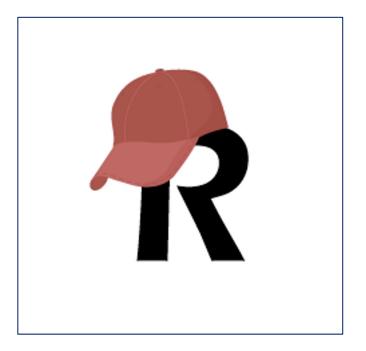
# **REDCAP MOBILE (301)**

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# Learning objectives

- REDCap Mobile App
  - $\circ$  Uses
  - $\circ$  Setup
  - Management
  - Best Practices
- MyCap
  - $\circ$  Uses
  - Security
  - Features
  - Best Practices



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#### **REDCap Mobile App**

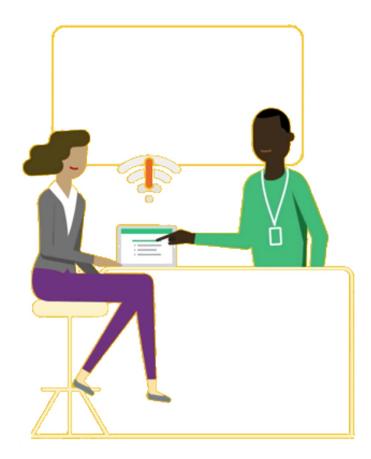
- Offline data collection
- Study devices used by study staff

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- Offline and internet
  connected data collection
- Participants' devices, used directly by participants

# Mobile App Uses

- Tablets used by study staff to collect participant data
- Offline data collection option
  - Community outreach events
  - Participant home visits
  - International studies with unreliable internet
- Sync data back to REDCap servers once internet is established



# Mobile App Setup

### Setup your project

- Longitudinal or classic
- Be careful with internet dependent features

#### **Request or generate an API token**

- Make sure you have the appropriate user rights
- Takes 1 business day (Request) or is instantaneous (Generate)
- API token can be reused

#### Load the project into the app

- Download the app onto a mobile device
- Setup an admin user
- Give camera permissions to the app
- Make sure the tablet is connected to the web
- Scan the QR code in the Mobile App menu



# Mobile App Online Management

### Dashboard

- Disable connected devices
- Assign "nicknames"
- Overview of upload and downloads

#### All App Activity

• Overview of all the activity of all the connected devices

#### Data dumps

- Repository of emergency data dumps
- Upload the data dump direct
- Download CSV
  - o In case of a manual merge

### App Logs

Repository of device specific log files

# Running a Mobile App

#### Refresh your data model

- Get the latest version of the project
- Optional download of existing records
- Needed for successful sync later

#### Data collection

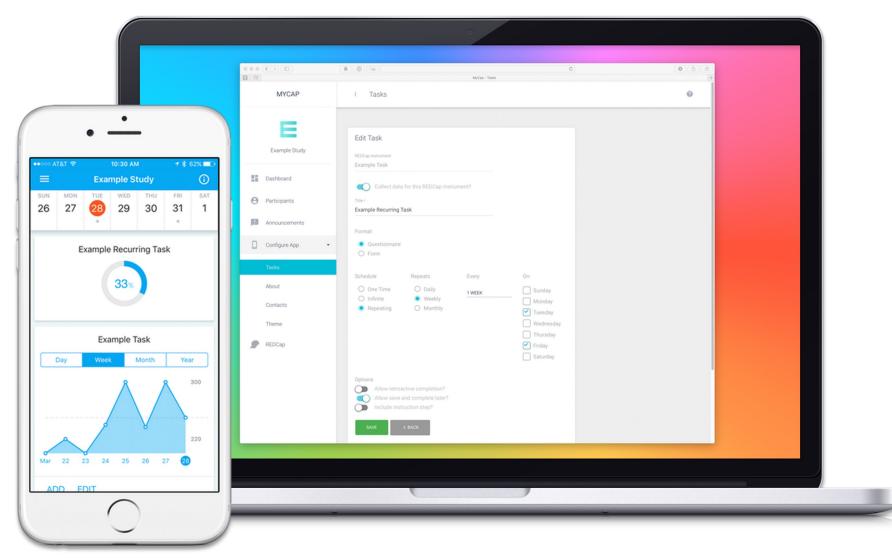
- Navigation takes a bit getting used to
- No real search function
- Secure the instrument
- Collect data and save

### Syncing your data

- Data models between app and web have to match
- Requires a stable internet connection
  - $\circ~$  Can take a while when uploading files
- Do an emergency data dump in case of failure

# Mobile App – Best Practices

- Keep instruments small
  - Under 500 variables
- Use the same devices if possible
  - $\circ~$  Makes for easier troubleshooting
- Recommended tablets:
  - o iPads
  - o Samsung tablets
  - o Google nexus
- To be avoided tablets:
  - Kindle Fire
  - o Older tablets with limited resources
- Establish a sync schedule and a "refresh" schedule
  - o To prevent manual merge
- Be prepared for troubleshooting
- Disable/uncouple unused tablets to prevent change management delays





#### Uses / Reasons

Security

Charts and Graphs

Communication





## **Uses / Reasons**

- Mobile App downloaded to participant's device
- Collect data that seamlessly syncs back to your REDCap database
- Flexible scheduling
  - o One-time tasks
  - Repeating tasks
  - o Permanent tasks
- Create active tasks
  - IOS only right now
  - Range of Motion, Tapping Speed, Fitness, etc.
  - <u>http://researchkit.org/docs/docs/ActiveTasks/Ac</u> <u>tiveTasks.html</u>

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## Security

- App requires separate passcode
- Face ID and Fingerprint passcode available on IOS
- Data encrypted on device
  - o HIPAA compliant
  - Securely transmitted to REDCap



#### Enter passcode

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#### **Charts and Graphs**

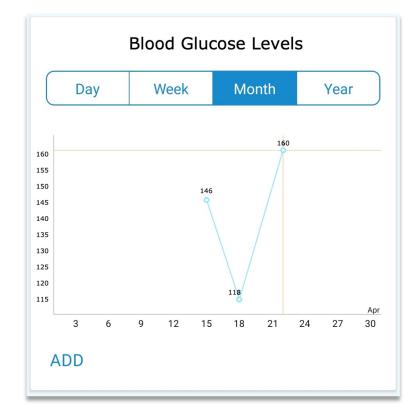
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### **Charts and Graphs**

Participants can track progress



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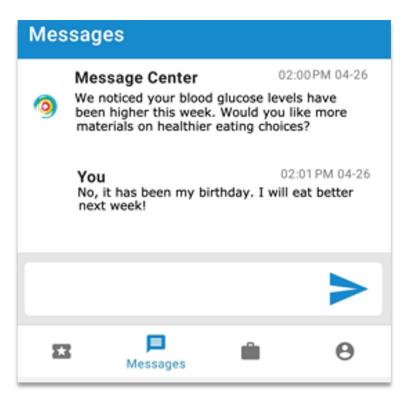
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## Communication

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- Send secure messages to individual participants
- Send announcements to all participants



# MyCap – Best Practices

- In-person enrollment to assist users in download of app and project
- Use short and uncomplicated instruments
  - No use of piping, smart variables, and some other more advanced REDCap functionality
- Single statement branching logic
  i.e., [gender]='0'
- Avoid changes to instruments while in production

# Thank You!

# **Questions?**

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