How do we link the data?



Data Provider A supplies personal identifiers to Indexing Team



Indexing team probability matches individuals to a population spine and creates anonymised ID



Indexing team returns anonymised ID to Data Provider A

Data Provider A matches anonymised ID on to payload data and removes personal identifiers



Data Provider A provides payload data to eDRIS team



eDRIS team links the data and make anonymised data available to the researcher(s) in a secure environment

REPEAT WITH ALL DATA PROVIDERS INVOLVED IN STUDY

Indexing team send the Master Index File containing a Master Anonymised ID number + Data Provider A ID number + Data Provider B ID number + Data Provider C ID Number (+ ...) to the eDRIS team





eDRIS team run the datasets sent by all data providers and Master Index file through a "linkage agent"



Linkage agent replaces
Data Provider ID
numbers in each dataset
with the Master
Anonymised ID number



Researcher receives data files with Master ID plus requested content data in safe haven environment

