

Allina Health

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PCORnet® Network Partner in GPC since 2018

The purpose of this Site Profile is to provide an overview of the basic research processes at Allina Health. This profile can help you understand: the types of patients within the electronic medical records; current PCORnet® Study participation; patient recruitment methods and institutional procedures related to Institutional Review Board and contracting; and data linkages.

Table 1. Characteristics of the patient population between January 1 – December 31, 2024

The characteristics of the patient population presented in this table are based on data from the health system’s electronic health records mapped to the PCORnet® Common Data Model as of September 2025 and do not reflect any public-facing or official characteristics reported by the health system or its partners. This data can be used to help inform researchers of the types of patients, care settings, and location data that are available for research.

Unique Patient Records	>1,000,000 [presented as range]
AGE IN YEARS	%
Children 0-9	10 %
Children 10-19	9 %
Adults 20-34	17 %
Adults 35-54	24 %
Adults 55-64	14 %
Adults 65-74	14 %
Adults 75+	11 %
SEX	
Female	56 %
Male	44 %
Unknown	<1 %
Missing	0 %
RACE	
White	80 %
Black or African American	9 %
Asian	4 %
Multiple race	1 %
American Indian or Alaska Native	1 %
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	<1 %
Unknown	5 %
Missing	<1 %
HISPANIC	
No	91 %
Yes	5 %
Unknown	4 %
Missing	<1 %
CARE SETTING – <i>patients may have more than one encounter type</i>	
Ambulatory Visit	94 %
Emergency Department	20 %
Telehealth	14 %
Inpatient hospital stay	4 %
Emergency to inpatient	4 %
Observation stay	2 %
Non-acute institutional stay	2 %
AREA DEPRIVATION INDEX	
Quartile 1 (Highest Socioeconomic Status)	69 %
Quartile 2	18 %
Quartile 3	10 %
Quartile 4 (Lowest Socioeconomic Status)	3 %
Missing	<1 %

RURAL-URBAN RESIDENCE

Metropolitan/Urban area	87 %
Micropolitan/Large rural area	8 %
Small town	2 %
Isolated rural area	3 %
Missing	<1 %

US STATE*

Minnesota	96 %
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*For state data, the site profile report will only list states with ≥ 10% of the patients.

PCORnet® Study Leadership (Studies listed below where Allina Health is the lead site)

Consented Studies (interventional trials & studies with patient-reported data collection)

None

Observational Studies

None

Data Science

None

Engagement (for example, PCORI-funded Science of Engagement projects)

None

PCORnet® Study Participation (Studies listed below where Allina Health is participating)

Consented Studies (interventional trials & studies with patient-reported data collection)

- Aspirin Dosing: A Patient-Centric Trial Assessing Benefits and Long-term (ADAPTABLE)
- Comparative Effectiveness of Prophylactic ICD versus Non-ICD Therapy in Contemporary Heart Failure Patients with a Low Risk for Arrhythmic Death (CONTEMP-ICD)
- HERO Registry & Trial: Healthcare Worker Exposure Response and Outcomes
- Neuroendocrine Tumors – Patient Reported Outcomes (NET-PRO)
- Pragmatic Evaluation of Events and Benefits of Lipid-Lowering in Older Adults (PREVENTABLE)
- REDucing future fractureS and improving ouTcomes of fRagility fracture (RESTORE)
- Test to Treat

Observational Studies

- Characterization of Patients with Heart Failure and Patients with Atrial Fibrillation and Atrial Flutter in PCORnet Data
- Using PCORnet to Compare Blood Pressure Control Strategies

Data Science

- Advancing Public Health Use of Electronic Health Record Data

Engagement (for example, PCORI-funded Science of Engagement projects)

None

Participant Recruitment Capabilities

Mechanisms

- Patient portal Email Post mail Schedule-driven clinic intercept

Outreach

- System-wide outreach permitted Clinic-specific outreach (physician approval required)

Institutional Review Board (IRB) Policy

- Recruitment messaging with “opt-out” language permitted

Primary Patient Groups

- Adult Pediatric Safety net

Institutional Procedures

Institutional Review Board (IRB) Arrangements

- May rely on single/central IRB for federally mandated studies only
- May rely on single/central IRB for non-federally mandated studies
- May accept commercial IRB review

Order of Activation

- IRB approval required before contract execution
- Contract execution required before IRB approval
- IRB and contract can be executed in parallel

Administrative Efficiencies

- Will accept PCORnet® Master Clinical Research Agreement without redlines for PCORI-funded studies
- Has signed the PCORnet® Master Data Sharing Agreement
- Has contracted directly with Industry funders

Linkage with Other Data Sources

Health Plan Claims

- In same or adjacent data mart with common ID
- Established linkage infrastructure and regulatory

Name(s) of Plan(s)†

Accountable Care Organization Realizing Equity, Access, and Community Health (ACO REACH)
 Aetna
 AetnaMedicareAdvantage
 AllinaHP
 BlueCrossCommercial
 BlueCrossMedicareAdvantage
 BlueCrossPMAP
 BCBS-MetroMN
 HealthPartners-Commercial-Allina
 HealthPartners-Commercial-NWA
 HealthPartners-Medicaid-Allina
 HealthPartners-Medicaid-NWA
 HealthPartners-MedicareAdvantage-Allina
 HealthPartners-MedicareCost-Allina
 HealthPartners-MSHOMedicare/Medicaid-Allina
 MedicaMedicareAdvantage
 UCare
 Medicare claims linked to Common Data Model (CDM), hospital tumor registry, and social/geographic data in a centralized repository maintained at the University of Missouri (“GROUSE”)

† If studies are interested in use of these claims data, Allina would need to confirm that use of claims is allowable for research purposes under their contracts with these payors.

Other (non-EHR) Data

- Linked in DataMart*
- Established linkage infrastructure and regulatory

Name(s) of Data Source(s)

North American Association of Central Cancer Registries (NAACCR) data, Social Security (SS) death data

*DataMart refers to a specific data source consisting of data collected, captured or otherwise obtained by the health system. Each site’s PCORnet DataMart houses data standardized to the PCORnet® Common Data Model.

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