

## **Mastery of Breast Surgery Program Data Use Agreement**

It is of utmost importance to protect the identities of cancer patients. Every effort has been made to exclude identifying information on individual patients from the data files provided from Mastery. Certain demographic information - such as sex, race, etc. - has been included for research purposes. All research results must be presented or published in a manner that ensures that no individual patient can be identified. In addition, there must be no attempt either to identify individuals from any computer file or to link with a computer file containing patient identifiers.

In order for the Mastery of Breast Surgery Program to provide access to its Research Data File to you, it is necessary that you agree to the following provisions.

- 1. I will not use or permit others to use the data in any way other than for statistical reporting and analysis for research purposes. I must notify the ASBrS if I discover that there has been any other use of the data.
- 2. I will not present or publish data in which an individual patient or surgeon can be identified. I will not publish any information on an individual patient.
- 3. I will not attempt either to link or permit others to link the data with individually identified records in another database.
- 4. I will not attempt to learn the identity of any patient or surgeon whose cancer data is contained in the supplied file(s).
- 5. If I inadvertently discover the identity of any patient or surgeon, then (a) I will make no use of this knowledge, (b) I will notify the ASBrS of the incident, and (c) I will inform no one else of the discovered identity.
- 6. I will not either release or permit others to release the data in full or in part to any person except with the written approval of the ASBrS. In particular, all members of a research team who have access to the data must sign this data-use agreement.
- 7. I will use appropriate safeguards to prevent use or disclosure of the information other than as provided for by this data-use agreement. If accessing the data from a centralized location on a time sharing computer system or another statistical package, I will not share my logon name or password with any other individuals. I will also not allow any other individuals to use my computer account after I have logged on with my logon name and password.
- 8. I will cite the source of information in all publications. The appropriate citation is associated with the data file used:

The American Society of Breast Surgeons Mastery Program. https://www.breastsurgeons.org/resources/mastery. Access date.

My signature indicates that I agree to comply with the above stated provisions.

Signature	Date	