

## **C-Path's RDCA-DAP Program and PicnicHealth Announce Data Collaboration to Accelerate Rare Disease Research**

**TUCSON**, Ariz., December 12, 2023 – [Critical Path Institute \(C-Path\)](#), a leader in advancing rare disease research, is pleased to announce a data collaboration with [PicnicHealth](#), a patient-centered healthcare evidence generation company.

This strategic data sharing partnership will leverage the extensive capabilities of C-Path's Rare Disease Cures Accelerator-Data and Analytics Platform (RDCA-DAP®), renowned for its expertise in data aggregation and analysis. Paired with PicnicHealth's commitment to patient-driven insights, the collaboration aims to streamline and enhance the research process for rare diseases. The synergy between RDCA-DAP and PicnicHealth promises to unlock valuable data, fostering collaboration among researchers, clinicians and patient communities.

RDCA-DAP provides an efficient and standardized infrastructure to support and accelerate rare disease characterization targeted for clinical development. Additionally, the platform advances best practices to support the rigorous conduct of natural history studies, with attention to established data quality standards, in order to be most useful to clinical trial design and regulatory review. It includes a robust, integrated database and analytics hub that allows for the aggregation of rare disease data from various sources and the efficient and effective interrogation of that data.

"We are excited to receive this EHR dataset from PicnicHealth," said Alexandre Bétourné, Pharm. D., Ph.D., RDCA-DAP Executive Director. "Pooling real-world data from multiple sources enables us to amplify RDCA-DAP's impact in rare disease research and brings us closer to improved treatments and outcomes."

In October 2023, it was announced that PicnicHealth acquired AllStripes, a platform dedicated to generating evidence about the rare disease community, as part of a strategic consolidation aimed at rapidly evolving the life sciences landscape.

Nancy Yu, Strategic Advisor at PicnicHealth and former CEO of AllStripes expressed also her enthusiasm for the project, "The RDCA-DAP mission aligns seamlessly with our mission to empower patients and drive progress in the rare disease space. Together with C-Path's RDCA-DAP, we are poised to make significant strides in understanding and addressing these often-overlooked conditions."

Groups interested in contributing data to RDCA-DAP may visit [c-path.org/rdca-dap](https://c-path.org/rdca-dap) or email [rdcadap@c-path.org](mailto:rdcadap@c-path.org). The platform is now OPEN and accepting applications for use; visit [portal.rdca.c-path.org](https://portal.rdca.c-path.org) to apply and learn more.

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## About Critical Path Institute

Critical Path Institute (C-Path) is an independent, nonprofit established in 2005 as a public-private partnership, in response to the [FDA's Critical Path Initiative](#). **C-Path's mission is to lead collaborations that advance better treatments for people worldwide.** Globally recognized as a pioneer in accelerating drug development, C-Path has established numerous international consortia, programs and initiatives that currently include more than 1,600 scientists and representatives from government and regulatory agencies, academia, patient organizations, disease foundations and pharmaceutical and biotech companies. With dedicated team members located throughout the world, C-Path's global headquarters is located in Tucson, Arizona and C-Path's Europe subsidiary is headquartered in Amsterdam, Netherlands. For more information, visit [c-path.org](http://c-path.org).

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## About PicnicHealth

PicnicHealth delivers on the future of evidence generation by putting patients at the heart of research. Through direct patient engagement and scientific expertise, PicnicHealth collects and curates' comprehensive clinical data and PROs across the patient journey to generate uniquely robust insights. To learn more about why 80% of the top Biopharma companies partner with PicnicHealth or to view our 35+ publications, visit [picnichealth.com](http://picnichealth.com).

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