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3. Timeline:
   As suggested by NHLBI, this manuscript will be prepared for submission as soon as possible (i.e., by August 1998)

4. Rationale:
   ARIC provides a unique opportunity to report on participant restrictions to informed consent, overall and for use of DNA, ARIC-only, cardiovascular-only, and, perhaps, restrictions to access to medical records.

5. Main Hypothesis:
   There is no apriori hypothesis. The purpose of this manuscript is to characterize those who restrict consent.

6. Data (variables, time window, source, inclusions/exclusions):
   This manuscript will be based on Visit 4 data currently available at the Coordinating Center (i.e., unclosed Visit 4 data). Data from previous visits will be used to characterize the Visit 4 participants (e.g., gender, age, race, education level, etc.) by level of consent and to put this sample of participants into focus relative to the initial baseline sample. Additional variables that may be used in stratification of consent level include center,
recent health status (from AE7U), income level, insurance status, having a regular doctor, employment status, and cognitive function.

Endnotes: This manuscript will be developed quickly, along the lines of a brief report that can be published expeditiously.