# The Dish (2019) | New Year, New *All of Us* Research Program Updates

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## Scene

Eric Dishman on screen. The All of Us Research Program logo is in the upper left corner.

## Eric Dishman

Happy New Year, everybody! Happy 2019! It is here, and it is time for the *All of Us* Research Program to get going for a great new year.

And I really kind of think of this as the year of getting and giving health information. We’ll get some new data types, we’ll give information back to participants, and we’ll give out the first curated data set to the research community.

We’re going to pilot a lot of new data types in 2019, and the first of which is, and I’ve talked a bit about it here already, genotyping and whole genome sequencing data. So, get those data types going, learn the logistics about how to do that—these are huge files—and carry that promise all the way through.

We’ll also be piloting lab tests—so, you know, these are the assays run on blood and urine—and figuring out, okay, which ones work and which ones don’t work in the pilot phase.

We’ll also pilot wearable device data, so you’ll start to see some things with Fitbit and other wearable companies where we can start to collect things about everyday life through wearables.

And then, we’ll also start to be able to get at other parts of participants’ health through our first apps that come out, apps that help us understand health information and help you understand health information about yourself.

Not only are we going to be piloting these data types, but we’ll also start piloting the responsible return of information. How do we give back health information to our participants, which is a fundamental promise of the program?

We’re going to be piloting the return of genomic information, so that’ll include things like genetic risk for a particular disease, or how you might respond to a drug based on your genetics. How do we give that information to a wide range of people from across the country?

Also, returning the test results. So those lab assays from both blood and urine, how do we properly and responsibly return that information?

We’ll be using a sort of basic electronic health record visualization tool so people can start to make sense, if we have your EHR data, of what exactly this might mean for you.

And then we’re just going to do a much better job of getting going with educational materials about what’s happening in precision medicine and lectures and other kinds of things that many participants out there have expressed interest in.

And then, last but not least, this will be the year of giving data out to the research community. So I’m looking forward to a challenging 2019, but I think we’re going to look back and say, “Wow, this really was the year of giving and getting health information out there.” And then, we’ll see what’s next in 2020!

## Closing slide

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