

- 1** The term "xage" refers to a variable measuring partner's age. This variable was removed from the data because the data set already has a variable (ppage) that measures the ages of both respondents and their partners. The term "ppgender" refers to the gender of the respondent.
- 2** A dummy variable is created for each response category of question A2.
- 3** The verbatim summary of the answers to variable QA2_10.
- 4** Cohabiting couples were defined as those having a value of 2 on the variable S1.
- 5** Married couples were defined as those having a value of 1 on variable S1.
- 6** Respondents who cohabited before marriage were defined as those having a value of 1 on questions S1 and MC2.
- 7** Respondents who did not cohabit before marriage were defined as those having a value of 1 on variable S1 and a value of 2 on question MC2.
- 8** Respondents who have a durable power of attorney for health care are defined as those having a value of 1 on question D1.
- 9** A dummy variable is created for each response category of question D2.
- 10** The verbatim summary of the answers to variable QD2_23.
- 11** Respondents who did not have a durable power of attorney for health care are defined as those with a value of 2 on question D1.
- 12** A dummy variable is created for each response category of question D3.
- 13** The verbatim summary of the answers to variable QD3_9.
- 14** Respondents who had a living will or advance directive were defined as those having a value of 1 on question D4.
- 15** A dummy variable is created for each response category of question D5.
- 16** The verbatim summary of the answers to variable QD5_23.
- 17** Respondents who did not have a living will or advance directive were defined as those having a value of 2 on question D4.
- 18** A dummy variable is created for each response category of question D6
- 19** The verbatim summary of the answers to variable QD6_9.
- 20** These respondents are defined as those having a value of 1 on question D7.
- 21** A dummy variable is created for each response category of question D8.
- 22** The verbatim summary of the answers to variable QD8_23.
- 23** These respondents are defined by having a value of 2 on question D7.

24 A dummy variable is created for each response category of question D9.

25 The verbatim summary of the answers to variable QD9_9.

26 Two types of missing cases are in the data. Those with a value of 99 on a demographic variable were in the Knowledge Networks panel, while those without any value were not from the panel.

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