Recommendations from Rachel Myers PhD, MPH and Joel Fein, MD, MPH from The HAVI’s Research and Evaluation Working Group and Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia on accommodations to make to research activities during the pandemic:

• **Equip staff to work off-site/remotely, including flexibility in conducting work in off hours to accommodate busy web traffic issues** (e.g. chart abstractions after 5PM when more bandwidth is freed up to access medical record systems remotely), family/home needs, etc.

• **Ensure that messages coming from research staff stay consistent with messages from program staff** about changes in practice. **Be transparent in outreach to potential participants that we aren’t able to meet in person** right now. They’ve been very understanding and accommodating.

• **Continue to assess for immediate safety needs and information resources needs.** Make sure those needs still get communicated to program staff even when people are no longer working from a central location.

• **Move exclusively to telephone based screening & data collection.**

• **Seek IRB approval** and navigate processes and procedures to **deliver intervention via telehealth technologies** (whether phone or web-based). Continue to manage consent & technology needs.

• Provide research staff with **alternative projects and activities** related to other research needs and professional development/skill building. Recognize that **being unbusy can be concerning to staff** and strive to create meaningful work during periods of downtime.

• **Recognize that some of our programs are partially supported by research funding.** Maintain clear records of changes and **accommodations** to your studies during pandemic restrictions so that you can have clear conversations with funders when restrictions are lifted.