Codebook for Right to Try Laws

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This codebook describes the variables in a dataset that examines variation between Right to Try laws in the 50 states and the District of Columbia. This is a longitudinal dataset, displaying laws from January 1, 2014 to October 1, 2016.

There are six standard variables in every LawAtlas dataset. They are:

ID

An identification code generated by the LawAtlas Workbench.

FIPS CODE

The Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) codes are a standardized set of numeric codes issued by the National Institute of Standards and Technology to ensure uniform identification of geographic entities through all federal government agencies.

JURISDICTION

This is a dropdown selection in each coding form. It includes the jurisdictions coded in the dataset.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This date (MM/DD/YYYY) is the most recent effective date of the legal text captured for this place. The effective date represents the date the policy coded was put into effect.

VALID THROUGH DATE

This date (MM/DD/YYYY) is either the last date a law or policy was in effect prior to an amendment or the last date the researcher confirmed the law or policy was in effect during the research process.

LEGAL TEXT

This is a text box that captures all legal text relevant to the coding questions. This will not download into Microsoft Excel.

Questions	
Question 1:	**Does this state have a Right to Try law?**
Question Type:	Binary
Variable Name 1:	**righ_state**
Variable Values:	1, 0
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	0 = No
Question 2:	**How is "terminal illness" defined?**
Question Type:	Categorical – mutually exclusive
Variable Name 2:	**righ_termin**
Variable Values:	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
Value Label:	1 = Death will likely result in 6 months
Value Label:	2 = Death will likely result in 12 months
Value Label:	3 = Death will likely result in 24 months
Value Label:	4 = Death must be imminent
Value Label:	5 = Condition will "inevitably lead to patient's death"
Value Label:	6 = Not defined
Question 3:	**What are the criteria for a patient to be eligible for access to investigational products?**
Question Type:	Categorical – check all that apply
Variable Name 3:	**righ_criter_Patient must have a terminal illness**
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 4:	**What are the criteria for a patient to be eligible for access to investigational products?**
Question Type:	Categorical – check all that apply
Variable Name 4:	**righ_criter_Patient considered all other FDA-approved treatments for their condition**
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 5:	**What are the criteria for a patient to be eligible for access to investigational products?**
Question Type:	Categorical – check all that apply

Variable Name 5:	**righ_criter_Patient received a prescription or recommendation from a physician**
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 6:	**What are the criteria for a patient to be eligible for access to investigational products?**
Question Type:	Categorical – check all that apply
Variable Name 6:	**righ_criter_Patient must give informed consent**
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 7:	**What are the criteria for a patient to be eligible for access to investigational products?**
Question Type:	Categorical – check all that apply
Variable Name 7:	**righ_criter_Documentation from physician indicating that the patient has met the requirements of the law**
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 8:	**What are the criteria for a patient to be eligible for access to investigational products?**
Question Type:	Categorical – check all that apply
Variable Name 8:	**righ_criter_Those receiving inpatient care do not qualify**
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 9:	**What are the criteria for a patient to be eligible for access to investigational products?**
Question Type:	Categorical – check all that apply
Variable Name 9:	**righ_criter_Patient is unable to participate in a clinical trial**
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 10:	**Are manufacturers required to make investigational products available to eligible patients?**

Question Type:	Binary
Variable Name 10:	righ_manufa_avail
Variable Values:	1, 0
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	0 = No
Question 11:	**Are manufacturers required to cover the costs associated with investigational products?**
Question Type:	Binary
Variable Name 11:	**righ_manufa_cost**
Variable Values:	1, 0
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	0 = No
Question 12:	**Are insurers required to pay for coverage costs?**
Question Type:	Binary
Variable Name 12:	**righ_insure**
Variable Values:	1, 0
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	0 = No
Question 13:	**What coverage or care might patients have to forfeit if they access an investigational product under Right to Try laws?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 13:	**Forfeiture_Home healthcare coverage can be denied**
Variable Values:	1, 0
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	0 = No
Question 14:	**What coverage or care might patients have to forfeit if they access an investigational product under Right to Try laws?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 14:	**Forfeiture_Health insurance can be denied altogether**
Variable Values:	1, 0
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	0 = No
Question 15:	**What coverage or care might patients have to forfeit if they access an investigational product under Right to Try laws?**

Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 15:	**Forfeiture_Patient may become ineligible for hospice care**
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 16:	**What coverage or care might patients have to forfeit if they access an investigational product under Right to Try laws?**
Question Type:	Categorical - check all that apply
Variable Name 16:	**Forfeiture_None**
Variable Values:	1, 0
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Value Label:	0 = No