The Rutgers Secure Data Facility

A small scale solution

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Initial stages:

- Establish need
  - mostly graduate student population
- Find a space [non-networked, lockable/special keys]
- Find funds [buy a computer]
Establishing process:

- Defining requirements, locking down the computer
- Support staff must be familiar with issues and IRB certified, sign-in process
- License agreement, education on IRB requirements
- Installation and update of software is cumbersome off the Internet
- Process for creating and closing accounts, wiping drives
Marketing

- some but not too much, nervous about scheduling
- students are weighing alternatives [departmental space, alternative research paths]

Other functions

- Does the facility only support individual projects?
- Space can host restricted local data [VHLSS]

Benefits go to only a few, but are significant [completing Ph. D.]