NIH partners with Apple, Harvard to study women's health

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The new research study will focus on menstrual cycles and gynecological conditions

The National Institutes of Health (NIH), Apple, and the Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health announced their research partnership for a major long-term study of women's health.

The collaboration will permit researchers to study conditions including pregnancy, infertility, polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS), menopausal transition, and osteoporosis.

Apple's new Research App will help users participate in the study and will be a free download in the App Store later this year.

The intention is to improve women's health by identifying the factors that impact women from around the country.

This new study will connect academic medical institutions, healthcare organizations, and Apple products with the goal of contributing to medical science and helping to create the next generation of innovative health software.

The National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), the NIH institute involved in the partnership, has several of the world's leading scientists on women's health and population studies. NIEHS will provide expert advice and data analysis for the Apple Women's Health Study.