

Handling Blaise 5 Code and Data among Multimode Instruments

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Differences in modes like CAPI and CAWI present some unique challenges related to data collection and storage for a single instrument. For example, web may require token authentication that is not needed in a secure disconnected tablet environment. In Blaise 5, we have tools that allow us to present question text and create unique routes based on either the mode or perhaps device-specific for web. This paper describes several of these methods used in a national study to allow synchronized code updates between modes by using prepare directives to develop the code base.