

# MHDO Data Fee Reduction or Waiver Request

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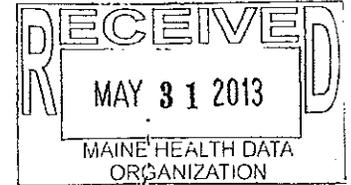
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## A. Fee Reduction or Waiver Request

1. Fee Reduction amount: \$ entire

2. Fee Waiver amount: \$ entire



## B. Determination of Eligibility

The Maine Health Data Organization Board may reduce or waive the fees as established in 90-590 Chapter 50 in the event it determines that the entity requesting data has demonstrated either or both of the following provisions. Please provide a detailed explanation under the provision(s) that apply to your waiver request.

### 1. Inability to pay.

Please explain inability to pay for data, in detail, and document any extenuating circumstances that exist preventing payment for the data. If the analysis is being funded by a grant, please attach the associated budget information. **I request waiver of the entire fee due to my status as a full-time, unfunded doctoral student undertaking this project for dissertation research.**

### 2. Information/analysis publicly accessible.

Please explain how the requested data will be used to improve the health of Maine residents.

**My findings from this research will help clarify factors associated with mortality attributable to ST-segment elevated myocardial infarction ("time is muscle" heart attack). I expect that better understanding of these factors will allow the development of interventions to decrease mortality.**

Please describe how the resulting information, reports, and/or analytical products will be available in the public domain without charge.

**My findings will be disseminated to stakeholders in cardiovascular care throughout the state as they become available. Although copyright will be assigned to any journals accepting manuscripts, these are indexed in the PubMed literature search database in the public domain.**

Please propose a date by which the resulting information, reports, and/or analytical products will be available to the public in an easily accessible format.

**Allowing the remainder of the 2013 summer semester for completion of three sequential IRB applications; the fall semester for creation, management, and linkage of the database; and the spring semester for analysis and dissemination of findings, the project should be complete in one calendar year, approximately June 1, 2014.**

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Waiver Granted     Fee Reduced     Conditional Waiver Granted     Waiver Denied