Fees of Accessing the CARES National Dataset
FAQ

Overview
- As of January 2020, new research projects that receive funding from external sources will be charged a data fee for accessing the national dataset.
- The intent of this fee is not to inhibit access to the CARES national dataset. However, when external funds are awarded for a study, that CARES can recoup some of its costs in supporting the research process.

What projects are charged a fee?
- There is no charge to access the CARES National Dataset if the research or study is funded from internal sources at the researcher’s institution.
- CARES charges 5% of the total project award amount when the research or study is funded from sources external to the researcher’s institution.
- Examples of external funding sources include but are not limited to:
  - The National Institutes of Health
  - Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
  - American Heart Association
  - Industry

How do I notify CARES of my project receiving/not receiving funding?
- The CARES National Data Sharing application includes questions pertaining to the funding status of the study. Please complete the application as accurately as possible.
- If the funding status changes after the application is completed and submitted to CARES, please notify the CARES Epidemiologist, Rabab Al-Araji (rabab.al-araji@emory.edu) as soon as possible.

What happens if my project receives an extension?
- If your project receives an extension and is externally funded, a 5% fee will be charged to the additional award amount.

How do I make a payment to CARES?
- Once CARES is notified that a project is externally funded, CARES will request that the below information be completed.
  - Invoice Information:
    - Researcher Name:
    - Project Name:
    - Funding Source:
    - Total Award Amount:
    - Primary Invoice Contact Name:
      - Email:
      - Phone
    - Secondary Invoice Contact Name:
      - Email:
      - Phone:
    - Physical Address
- As soon as this information is submitted to CARES, an invoice will be generated and returned to the researcher. CARES asks that payment via check be received within 30 days.

Additional Questions?
- Please contact:
  - CARES Epidemiologist, Rabab Al-Araji, MPH (rabab.al-araji@emory.edu)