



June 8, 2021

Maryland Health Care Commission
Attn: Ben Steffen,
Executive Director
4160 Patterson Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland, 21215

Re: Application for Maryland Medical Care Data Base: Request for Fee Waiver for Research Project entitled, “Maryland Model Analytics: Aim 1 and Aim 2”

This serves to request that the Commission grant a waiver of the non-profit/academic fee of \$4,000 fee per MCDB data file per year for the four data files that we are requesting for the above-referenced research project. We are requesting the Member Eligibility file, the Professional Services Claims file, the Institutional Services Claims file, and the Pharmacy Claims file, for a six-year data period from 2015 through 2020. Thus, the total fees for the requested MCDB data would be \$16,000 per year of data x 6 years of data = \$96,000. We request a waiver of these fees due to the scope and funding of the study.

The scope of these projects will be to enable CRISP to more deeply understand key questions related to TCOC and care transformation and thus improve capabilities available to support those efforts across the State. Additionally, these projects are funded through CRISP via state funds and in direct coordination with The Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission (HSCRC). These studies are meant to enhance understanding of specific aspects of care delivery to guide the state, hospitals and other constituents in developing and refining interventions. Therefore, the findings of these reports will be part of CRISP’s efforts to support a State Learning System to support stakeholders under the Maryland Total Cost of Care Model.

Sincerely,

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