

**The Rapid Early Action for Coronary Treatment Study (REACT)
Data Distribution Agreement**

The National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) and (Name of Recipient Organization) hereby enter into this Distribution Agreement as of the date specified on the final page hereof.

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) has supported collection of data from participants in The Rapid Early Action for Coronary Treatment Study (REACT), hereafter referred to as “Study”. This well-characterized population provides a unique scientific resource. Promoting optimal use of it on a national scale will require a large and concerted effort that may exceed the research capacity of currently available Study investigators. The NHLBI and the researchers it supports have a responsibility to the public in general, and to the scientific community in particular, to encourage as rapid scientific progress as possible using this resource, subject to appropriate terms and conditions. In order to take full advantage of the resources and maximize its research value, it is important that the data that were collected with public funds be made available, on appropriate terms and conditions, to the largest possible number of qualified investigators in a timely manner.

Although data collected by the Study have been stripped of all personal identifiers, the wealth of data available on individual participants might make possible their identification. To protect the confidentiality and privacy of Study participants, Recipients who are granted access to Study data must adhere to the requirements of this Distribution Agreement and obtain IRB approval for their project. IRB approval may be from an expedited or convened review, but a simple IRB letter granting an exemption is not sufficient. Failure to comply with this Distribution Agreement could result in denial of further access to Study Data. Violation of the confidentiality requirements of this agreement is considered a breach of confidentiality and may leave requesting investigators liable to legal action on the part of Study participants, their families, or the U.S. Government.

The Study Investigators have made a substantial long-term contribution in establishing and maintaining the clinical database. The NHLBI encourages appropriate collaborative relationships by outside investigators with the Study Investigators and proper acknowledgement of the contributions of the Study Investigators.

