

<b>POLICY:</b>	<b><i>Grant - Emergency Medical Services Continuing Education</i></b>	<i>EMS / Grants</i>	<b>DATE CREATED:</b>
<b>RESPONSIBLE STAFF:</b>	<i>EMS Grants Comp Spec, EMS System Coordinator, Director - DEMS</i>	<b>CREATED BY:</b> <i>EMS System Coord</i>	<b>DATE REVISED:</b> <i>07/01/2019</i>

A. Background

The Division of Emergency Medical Systems (DEMS) administers grants to foster EMS training and decrease education expense incurred by active EMS individuals and EMS entities in North Dakota.

B. Appropriations

Total funds available are limited to the (DEMS) grant appropriation for this purpose.

C. Eligibility Requirements

North Dakota licensed ambulance services and quick response units, herein after referred to as EMS entities, may receive a grant from DEMS for continuing education expenses under the following conditions:

1. Grant application must be submitted electronically within the program reporting system (PRS).
2. Grant requests must be received by DEMS on or before June 13 of each year to be considered within that fiscal year.
3. The EMS entity/attendee must receive notification from the instructor that the conference/training has been pre-approved by DEMS.
4. Applications must be submitted within 45 days of completion of the eligible conference/training.
5. Each individual listed on the application must be licensed as a patient care provider at an EMS provider level that requires continuing education and/or recertification hours.
  - Eligibility of each applicant will be verified by DEMS.
6. Each individual listed on the application must be a member of a licensed responding EMS entity.
7. Requested hours of reimbursement may not exceed the licensed provider's National Continued Competency Requirement (NCCR) (EMT-20, AEMT-25, Paramedic-30) or total recertification hour requirement at the EMR level (EMR-16).

D. Additional Information

- Grants are awarded at \$8.50 / hour / individual with a maximum of \$204 for a three- (8 hour) day conference for each individual.

- Grant funds can only be issued to an EMS entity and cannot be awarded to an individual. DEMS requests the EMS entity reimburse individuals for expenses incurred by the individual for EMS training obtained.
- Each participant may only be reimbursed to one EMS entity.
- Only one Continuing Education Grant may be funded per EMS entity per fiscal year.
- Grants will be distributed at the discretion of the Department as funds are available. Grant application does not guarantee payment.

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