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Memorandum:

To: All Directors of Zoned 911 Services – Transport and Licensed First Responders

From: Kim Littleton, Executive Director, Ga Association of EMS

Date: September 11, 2020

Subject: Grant Opportunity- Time Sensitive Deadline

The Georgia EMS Association currently has EMR/EMT grant dollars available to fund First Responder/EMT courses across the State. The First Responder/EMT grants are made possible by funding provided through the Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission. While all 911 zoned EMS Services and 911 zoned Medical First Responders are eligible to apply for the grant, priority will be given to those services willing to quickly complete the course approval requirements and conduct the program within the contract period allowed.

Please read this entire document.

To be eligible for this funding your application must be completed online (ONLY) utilizing the Survey Monkey application

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GEMSA EMR-EMT

Deadline for Accepting Applications September 30, 2020

The First Responder EMT Grant -

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This is a competitive grant. Applications will be accepted till close of business of deadline date. Once the Grants are awarded, GEMSA will deal only with the Service and the Director of the Service will be the person accountable as it pertains to the Grant. No individual county or zone will be eligible for more than one grant unless there are fewer requests than courses available.

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The total dollar amount of each grant will vary depending on the number of students who are enrolled/graduating in the first responder/EMT class. The initial class roster must have a minimum number of <u>12 students</u> to be eligible for this grant while the maximum number we will reimburse for is 25 students on the ending

roster. You may elect to have more than 25 students in the class however, we will only reimburse for a maximum of 25 students. Each course <u>must</u> be approved through the course approval process as developed by the State Office of EMS and Trauma. **To receive funding, we must have the SOEMS Course Approval Number on the beginning roster.** Students may elect to challenge the National Registry examination; however, the examination is not required, and the grant will not reimburse expenses for challenging the exam.

FUNDS MAY BE USED TOWARD EMT COURSE

All course funding will be handled through the reimbursement process as follows:

If you are a successful applicant:

The Grant funding will consist of the following:

You will be notified by email and sent a Course Agreement form that you must initial, complete and sign in required fields within 2 weeks of initial email or **you will forfeit you Grant Opportunity**

Upon GEMSA receiving your fully completed Official GAEMS Roster

GEMSA will:

1) reimburse for Textbooks & Workbooks (you must send a copy of your book invoice) according to the number of students you have listed on your initial course roster to a maximum of \$140.00 per book

if your book invoice reflects that the books you ordered cost less than the quoted price above you will be paid according to the price per book on your invoice

Or Upon Request

GEMSA would provide for EMR Courses - Emergency Medical Responder: Your First Response in Emergency Care 6thEdition American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons or for EMT Courses – Emergency Care and Transportation of the Sick and Injured 11thEdition American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons – According to the number of students listed on your Official GEMSA Roster

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Upon course **completion** and GEMSA receiving your fully completed Official GAEMS Roster

GAEMS will

1) issue instructor payment of \$1,650.00

(An approved roster format will be provided by GEMSA that must be used for both the beginning and ending rosters for the course. No other roster format will be accepted)

- Then GEMSA will provide each successful student with a jump bag and a safety vest. This will be done after we have verification of successful completion of the course and we have received a copy of the official course roster of successful students. The jump bag and safety vest will be sent to the sponsoring organization and it will be the responsibility of the sponsoring organization to disperse the jump bags and vest to student
- For the EMT course You may request a variance. In place of the Jump Bags for each graduating student the Service could receive the funding that would have been utilized to purchase the Jump Bags to assist with Instructor cost. The Variance <u>MUST</u> be made prior to the course. The Safety Vest must be ordered and sent to the Service for student distribution

The grant application may be completed at:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GEMSA_EMR-EMT

If you have any questions you may contact Cathy White, GAEMS Program Coordinator (program@georgiaemsassociation.com) or Kim Littleton, GAEMS Executive Director (director@georggiaemsassociation.com)

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