

**RAC Chairs Meeting  
Funding Program Update  
August 14, 2008**

**Upcoming Reports Due:**

**Due Date: 09/15/08**

- FY07 EMS/RAC Contract Expenditures
- FY07 EMS/County Contract Expenditures

**Due Date: 10/15/08**

- FY08 Tobacco Contract – Fourth Quarter (Final) Report

**Current Open Contracts:**

- *FY07 EMS/County*      *Contract Dates: 4-15-07 to 8-31-08*
- *FY07 EMS/RAC*      *Contract Dates: 5-1-07 to 8-31-08*
- *FY08 Tobacco*      *Contract Dates: 9-1-07 to 8-31-08*
  
- FY08 EMS/County      Contract Dates: 5-1-08 to 8-31-09
- FY08 EMS/RAC      Contract Dates: 5-1-08 to 8-31-09

**FUNDING SOURCES:**

**“911 Monies” Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Care System Account**

Appropriation FY08: \$1.82M 50% EMS, 27% Hospitals, 20% RACs, 3% DSHS

**“1131 Monies” EMS, Trauma Facilities & Trauma Care System Fund**

Appropriation FY08: \$2.38M 50% EMS, 27% Hospitals, 20% RACs, 3% DSHS

**“3588 Monies” Designated Trauma Facility and Emergency Medical Services**

Appropriation FY08: \$51.7M 96% Hospitals, 2% EMS, 1% RACs, 1% DSHS

**EMS Allotment: (COUNTY) Combined 911, 1131 and 3588 monies.**

FY06: \$2.78M

**FY07:** \$2.26M Contract ends 8-31-08

**FY08:** \$2.87M Contract ends 8-31-09.

**RAC Allotment: (RAC) Combined 911, 1131 and 3588 monies.**

FY06: \$1.32M

**FY07:** \$1.05M Contract ends 8-31-08

**FY08:** \$1.25M Contract ends 8-31-09.

**Uncompensated Trauma Care Allotment (hospitals): Combined 911, 1131 and 3588 monies.**

FY07: \$47,453,296

**FY08 - May:** \$49,257,977 (just 3588 at this time – 255 hospitals)

**FY08 - Aug:** ~\$20 million – we have asked the LBB to release the funds.

### **Extraordinary Emergency Funds: (EEF's) \$1M**

Purpose: to support the emergent, unexpected needs of EMS providers, Registered First Responders Organizations and licensed hospitals whose capability to provide emergency medical care has been severely disrupted. Additional information regarding EEF's can be obtained at <http://www.tdh.state.tx.us/hcgs/ems/EEFfund.PDF>

**FY08:** \$1M available 9/1/07. 16 EEFs totaling \$800,175 have been funded. \$199,825 balance

**FY09:** \$1M available 9/1/07

### **"Tobacco Funds" EMS & Trauma Care System Fund**

#### **Regional EMS\Trauma Systems Development (RAC Grant): Tobacco RAC Grant**

FY08: \$2.16M Final Report Due: 10/14/08

**FY09: \$2.32M 9/1/08 - 8/31/09 contract dates**

#### **ECA Training: ELIGIBLE: County <50K – at least 3 people – free of charge to students**

The purpose of this program is to increase the availability of certified EMS personnel in rural and underserved areas of Texas where training is not available locally. Organizations that are eligible are located in rural or underserved areas that are directly or indirectly responsible for providing emergency medical services. Contact Arlen Bolenbaucher 512/834-6700 x. 2607.

**FY08: \$50,000** – Applications are being accepted for FY08 funding. We process requests on a first-come, first-served basis until funds are exhausted. To date we have funded 12 courses – funds remaining: \$8,531.00.

#### **EMS Local Projects Grants: (LPG's)**

**FY08:** Please remind providers to spend their money during the contract period (ends 8/31/08) and to call us if they need changes OR if they cannot spend the funds – we can help them with options. Contact Linda Reyes at 512/834-6684 or [Linda.reyes@dshs.state.tx.us](mailto:Linda.reyes@dshs.state.tx.us) if you have any questions.

We received 92 RFPs and funded 77 grants for a total of \$1,094,165.

**FY09:** Processing almost complete – we received 102 RFPs. The awards will be posted on the ESD and an announcement made on the list-serves.

### **FY09 Tobacco Contract excerpts:**

General Provisions, Article I **Compliance and Reporting**, Section 1.03 **Reporting** is replaced with the following:

Contractor shall submit progress reports to DSHS Program no later than December 1, 2008, March 2, 2009, and June 1, 2009. These progress reports shall contain the following:

- Description of activities completed to date that were supported by funds from this Program Attachment;
- Description of planned activities for remainder of contract period;
- Itemized list of expenditures including copies of invoices/receipts and proof of payment for eligible expenses paid for with funds from this Program Attachment; and
- Amount of program income earned from funds directly associated with this Program Attachment including copies of invoices/receipts and proof of payment if income earned is over \$250.

Contractor shall submit a **final report** to DSHS Program no later than October 16, 2009. The final report shall contain the following:

- Description of completed activities that were supported by funds from this Program Attachment;
- A categorical budget in the form of a spreadsheet that reflects how funds from this Program Attachment were expended including a breakdown of administrative vs. programmatic costs;
- Itemized list of expenditures including copies of invoices/receipts and proof of payment for all remaining expenses paid for with funds from this Program Attachment;
- Amount of program income earned from funds directly associated with this Program Attachment including copies of invoices/receipts and proof of payment if income earned is over \$250;
- A narrative describing specifically how the funds from this contract were utilized to enhance and improve delivery of EMS and trauma patient care in the region served by this contractor; and
- An Annual Report on the activities of the RAC to include:
  - Regional injury mortality and morbidity data;
  - Documentation of training to enhance trauma care provided to all entities on the Regional Trauma System Plan.
  - A copy of the current Regional Trauma System Plan
  - Results of the annual needs assessment; and
  - Evidence of ongoing system Performance Improvement (PI).

For purposes of this contract Attachment, buildings, food, land, or investments (stocks, bonds, mutual funds, etc.) are NOT ALLOWABLE COSTS. The cost of meals during travel is allowable if individuals are attending meetings and conferences that pertain to carrying out activities under the contract attachment (where there is dissemination of technical information). The contractor should have travel policies that address travel reimbursement per diem rates. Otherwise, the State of Texas travel regulations are applied. Additionally, no more than 20% of the total amount of this Program Attachment may be utilized for administrative costs.