

**May 17, 2006
RAC Chairs Meeting
FUNDING PROGRAM UPDATE**

“911 Monies”: Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Care System Account; and
“1131 Monies”: Emergency Medical Services, Trauma Facilities, & Trauma Care System Fund

1. Extraordinary Emergency Funds: (EEF's)

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.

Recipients must participate in the appropriate Regional Advisory Council. A request must be submitted to OEMS/TS in writing. Additional information regarding EEF's can be obtained at <http://www.tdh.state.tx.us/hcgs/ems/EEFfund.PDF>

FY06: \$500,000 starting 9/1/2005. To date we have funded a total of ten EEF's, one of which out of this account leaving a balance of \$480,827.

2. EMS Allotment: 50% in the monies in the accounts

FY06: \$710,317 (911 Monies); 1131 monies to be distributed at the end of the fiscal year. The existing FY06 contracts will be amended to add the additional funding.

The current 1131 balance is 1.6 M.

The contract term is 4/15/2006 – 8/31/2007. Please note the following:

These funds can be used for the following:

- Vehicles;
- Supplies;
- Operational expenses;
- Education and training;
- Equipment; and/or,
- Communications systems.

Non Allowable Cost:

- Buildings;
- Food;
- Land;
- or investments (stocks, bonds, mutual funds, etc.).

Reporting requirements

Shall submit a report no later than September, 15 2006, that contains the following:

- Itemized list of expenditures, copies of receipts and checks, and anticipated expenditures through August 31, 2006,
- Anticipated expenditures from August 31, 2006 through August 31, 2007, if the entire contract amount will not be expended by August 31, 2006.
- Amount of program income earned from funds directly associated with this attachment.

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Program Income:

The PERFORMING AGENCY may earn program income (earnings exclusively resulting from the utilization of State funds directly associated with this attachment), which must be included in the annual report. Program income in excess of \$250 earned during the term of the attachment must be returned to Receiving Agency within 30 days of the contract end date.

3. **RAC Allotment:** 20% in the monies in the accounts

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FY06: \$308,226 (911 Monies); 1131 monies to be distributed at the end of the fiscal year. The existing FY06 contracts will be amended to add the additional funding.
The current 1131 balance is 1.6 M.

The contract term is 4/15/2006 – 8/31/2007. Please note the following:

These funds can be used for the following:

- Supplies;
- Operational expenses;
- Education and training;
- Equipment; and/or,
- Communications systems.

Non Allowable Cost:

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Other special provisions:

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PERFORMING AGENCY shall have written into its Bylaws, no longer than 6 months from the start date of this contract attachment, an Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) process to resolve complex issues among entities/individuals/Regional Advisory Council (RAC) members that have differences of opinions so issues are resolved at a local level vs. being resolved initially at the State level. RECEIVING AGENCY shall make the ADR process a participation requirement of the RAC.

5. **Uncompensated Trauma Care Allotment:** 27% of the 911/1131 Monies

FY06: ~\$482,195 (911 Monies) + 1131 Accumulations (1.6M). The 1131 disbursement will occur at the end of the fiscal year.

The 911 distribution was made in conjunction with the 5/4/2006 3588 Hospital Allocation distribution. **\$482,195.00** from the 911 Monies was distributed to 238 designated trauma facilities. When added to the FY 2004 and 2005 disbursements, the grand total distributed to eligible hospitals since the inception of combining the 911 and 1131 monies is **\$2,872,685.70**.

The maximum amount a hospital received was \$57,806.36 and the minimum amount distributed was \$303.90

“Tobacco Funds” EMS & Trauma Care System Fund

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

FY06: \$1,700,000

The contract term is September 1, 2005 – August 31, 2006. All third quarter payments have been processed. The third quarter payments have all been processed. Third quarter expenditure report is due on 6/01/2006 and the last payout is scheduled for 6/01/2006 once the 3rd quarter expenditure report is reviewed and approved. Final expenditure report is due 10/15/2006.

2. **EMS Local Projects Grants (LPGs):**

FY06: \$1,114,847

The contract start date was 2/10/2006 – 8/31/2006. A total of 76 of the 92 projects submitted were funded in FY06. This is a reimbursement contract.

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

1. **Extraordinary Emergency Funds:** (EEFs) FY06 \$500,000

FY06: 3588 Monies: \$500,000 starting 9/1/05.

To date we have funded a total of ten EEF's, 9 of which is out of this account leaving a balance of \$5,395.

2. **EMS Allocation:** 2% of the 3588 Monies

FY06: \$1,068,613

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Contract term is 4/15/2006 – 8/31/2007. This disbursement was combined with the 911 monies. The reporting and contract requirements are the same as the 911 Monies (above).

3. RAC Allocation: 1% of the 3588 Monies

FY06: \$579,628

Contract term is 4/15/2006 – 8/31/2007. This disbursement was combined with the 911 monies. The reporting and contract requirements are the same as the 911 Monies (above).

4. Uncompensated Trauma Care Allocation: 96% of 3588 Monies

FY06: \$56,660,129

This disbursement was made in May of 2006. **\$29,033,636.00** from the Designated Trauma Facility and Emergency Medical Services (DTF\EMS) Account (“3588 Monies”) and **\$27,626,493.00** transferred from HHSC to General Revenue pursuant to funding increase authorized by Lieutenant Governor Dewhurst and Speaker Craddick on February 14, 2006 will be distributed to 249 eligible hospitals during the week of **April 25, 2006**.

The combined total distributed in **April 2006**, brings the total amount distributed to eligible hospitals during **FY06** to **\$56,660,129**. When added to the FY 2004 and 2005 disbursements, the grand total distributed to eligible hospitals since the inception of this funding source is **\$120,829,090**.

The maximum amount a hospital received was \$6,730,346 and the minimum amount distributed was \$33,828.

5. ECA Training:

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 Aaron Patterson for more information at 512 834-6700 x 2032 or aaron.patterson@dshs.state.tx.us

FY06: \$50,000

In the 79th Texas Legislature the ECAT appropriation was decreased to \$50,000. At this time we have approved 11 ECAT courses. To date we have spent \$26,174.20 with three courses in the process to use the remaining funds. The services have either completed or are in the process of completing their programs. It is anticipated that these services will spend the \$50,000 appropriated in FY06 for ECAT funding. Upon final review of the courses there may possibly be funds available for more courses, however this is not guaranteed.

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