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EMS Grant Applications Available

COLUMBUS—The Ohio Department of Public Safety’s Division of Emergency Medical Services is reminding all EMS agencies seeking funding for the 2012 -2013 award year, that all applications are now available.

“Many EMS agencies have taken advantage of previous grant opportunities and benefited from additional training and equipment, which allowed them to raise the level of care in their communities,” said Jeffrey Leaming, executive director of the Division of EMS. “The resources are available, so we encourage agencies to apply.”

Applications for funding priorities 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 must be completed utilizing the hard copy applications.

Training and equipment grant applicants (funding priority 1) may apply online or use the hard copy application. The Electronic Application requires all applicants to use a username and password. Users who already have a password must use their driver license as the username.

First priority is for training of personnel and the purchase of equipment. Only eligible EMS agencies may apply for Priority 1 grants. Eligibility requirements can be found under the Grant section on the Web at http://www.ems.ohio.gov/ems_grants.stm.

Second priority is for research, testing, and the evaluation of medical procedures and systems related to adult and pediatric trauma care.

Third priority is for entities that research the causes, nature, and the effects of traumatic injuries, educate the public about injury prevention.

Fourth priority shall be given to entities that research, test, and evaluate procedures that promote the rehabilitation, retraining, and reemployment of adult or pediatric trauma victims and social service support mechanisms for adult or pediatric trauma victims and their families.

Fifth priority is for conducting research, testing, or evaluation one or more of the following:

- (a) Procedures governing the performance of emergency medical services in this state;
- (b) The training of emergency medical service personnel;
- (c) The staffing of emergency medical service organizations.

Sixth priority is for entities that operate paramedic training programs and are seeking national accreditation of the programs.

Ohio EMS Grant applications are due **Monday April 2, 2012** by 5:00 PM.

Visit http://www.ems.ohio.gov/ems_grants.stm for additional information.

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The Ohio Department of Public Safety, through the Division of EMS, oversees the certification of emergency medical technicians and firefighters and ensures that the professionals in these lifesaving roles are properly trained, educated and prepared for emergency situations.