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## Notice of Grant Opportunity for EMS Trauma Related Equipment for Increase of GTCNC AFY 2018 Budget

The Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission ("GTCNC") would like to say <u>THANK YOU</u> for everyone that applied for the FY 2018 EMS Trauma Related Equipment Grant. As we are still closing out the FY 2018 Equipment Grant cycle, we have received an additional \$5,369,908 during the legislative session, which was recommended by Governor Deal for AFY 2018.

The GTCNC has re-authorized the Non-Competitive EMS Trauma Related Equipment Reimbursement Grant ("Equipment Grant") for AFY 2018 as advised by the EMS Subcommittee on Trauma. These funds will be used to reimburse Zoned 911 EMS agencies for the purchase of Trauma Related Equipment used to equip 911 ambulances. The total amount of equipment grant funds available to be awarded statewide for AFY 2018 is \$641,762. The actual reimbursement will be based the total number of 911 ambulances per agency. Our current eligible ambulance count was 1,303 or reimbursement up to \$492.53 per ambulance.

Attached please find the following documents:

Attachment A - Grant Application

Attachment B - Instructions for the required notarized affidavit.

Attachment C - Approved equipment lists.

Attachment D - Awards by Region/Service.

The deadline to submit completed grant packets including your agency applications, affidavit and copy of invoice for reimbursement is on or before <a href="May 31, 2018">May 31, 2018</a>. We are requiring a copy of an invoice with the applications during this grant cycle, since we are only asking that you affirm to purchase the equipment and have it placed in service by June 30, 2018.

PLEASE NOTE: We will accept emailed (<a href="maileographe">gtcbusinessops@gtcnc.org</a>) or faxed (706-841-1980) grant packets to begin processing, but MUST have the originals via mail. Applications received after this date will be returned to the sender. Completed grant packets <a href="maileographe">must</a> be mailed or delivered to:

FY 2018 EMS Equipment Grant: Georgia Trauma Commission 410 Chickamauga Ave, Suite 332 Rossville, Georgia 30741

The purpose of the AFY 2018 EMS Equipment Grant is to reimburse EMS Agencies for equipment purchased from the approved equipment lists found in Attachment C. This has been updated with the approved most recent equipment grant cycle. Due to the quick turn around for the AFY 2018 applications, we are asking that you do not request anything above the list, as that requires the GTCNC's EMS Subcommittees approval.

Attachment D provided gives a list of EMS agencies and award amounts by Region. This list has been reviewed and confirmed by the Georgia Office of EMS and Trauma during the FY 2018 grant cycle. If you see a discrepancy in the amount of 911 ambulances for your agency, please let us know and we will make every effort to adjust that in future grant opportunities.

In an effort to be more efficient and make timely for reimbursements payments to our Grantees, the GTCNC strongly encourages the use of ACH. Our policy mirrors the State Accounting Office policy regarding ACH payments. Please contact us if there are any questions about ACH payments.

We look forward to serving the EMS community with this grant opportunity. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the GTCNC office at 706-841-2800, as any of the office staff can assist.

Sincerely,

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