



Georgia Trauma Commission
GEORGIA TRAUMA CARE NETWORK COMMISSION

EMS SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRAUMA

MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, July 24, 2012
Scheduled: 10:00 am until 12:00 am
Georgia Tech Hotel
800 Spring Street
Atlanta, Georgia

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Ben Hinson called the July monthly meeting of the EMS Subcommittee on Trauma to order at the Emory Faculty Office Building, Grady Health Care Systems, Atlanta, Georgia, at 10:06 a.m.

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT	SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT
Ben Hinson, Chair Subcommittee & GA Trauma Commission Member Randy Pierson – Region One Richard Lee – Region Four Huey Atkins – Region Ten Courtney Terwilliger – EMSAC Keith Wages-OEMS Blake Thompson – Region Six Via tele-conference Chad Black – Region Two David Moore – Region Nine Lee Oliver – Region Five Steve McEntyre – Region Four	Jimmy Carver-Region Seven Pete Quinones- Region Three Dr. Leon Haley-GA Trauma Commission (Excused) Linda Cole-GA Trauma Commission (Excused) David Bean-Region Three Craig Grace-Region Eight

OTHERS SIGNING IN	REPRESENTING
Jim Pettyjohn John Cannady Renee Morgan Dr. Jill Mabley Mickey Moore	Georgia Trauma Commission Georgia Trauma Commission OEMS/T OEMS/T OEMS/T

Welcome and Introductions

Mr. Ben Hinson welcomed all who were present and thanked everyone for coming.

Approval of Minutes from June Meeting

The first order of business was the approval of the minutes from the February 2012 subcommittee meeting.

Discussion:

Mr. Ben Hinson indicated that he had some questions about the previous meetings. The Committee members discussed what changes and corrections needed to be changed for the minutes to be approved.

MOTION #1 EMS Subcommittee 2012-07-24:

I make the motion to approve the minutes from the June 2012 meeting with the suggested changes.

MOTION BY:

BEN HINSON

SECOND:

NONE

ACTION:

The motion ***PASSED*** with no objections, nor abstentions.

GEORGIA TRAUMA COMMUNICATIONS CENTER UPDATE

Mr. John Cannady discussed the current numbers for the TCC and indicated that there had been very little change since the last meeting. There was some discussion regarding the role of the TCC Advisory Board, and Mr. Ben Hinson asked that the role and responsibility of the TCCAB be put in written form before the next meeting.

There was discussion among the Committee members regarding the RTAC's and the role that they provide.

MOTION #2 EMS Subcommittee 2012-07-24:

The motion was made that the EMS Subcommittee strongly request the recommendation to the Trauma Commission to require that all RTAC's be connected to respective regional council.

MOTION BY:

DAVID MOORE

SECOND:

LEE OLIVER

ACTION: The motion ***PASSED*** unanimously with no objections, nor abstentions.

FY2012 FUNDING UPDATE

Mr. Jim Pettyjohn reported that the checks have gone out for the Uncompensated Care Program and there are only four invoices have not yet been received from the Vehicle Replacement Program for 2012. Mr. Courtney Terwilliger provided handouts explaining the First Responder and Equipment Replacement

Minutes approved on 31 October 2012

grants. He added that due to the vendor costs, there would be an increase in the cost of the text book (attached).

Mr. Terwilliger asked that the applications be approved for distribution.

MOTION #3 EMS Subcommittee 2012-07-24:

The motion was made to approve the First Responder grant application as written.

**MOTION BY: DAVID MOORE
SECOND: HUEY ATKINS**

ACTION: The motion **PASSED** with no objections, nor abstentions.

MOTION #4 EMS Subcommittee 2012-07-24:

The motion was made to approve the Vehicle Equipment grant application as written.

**MOTION BY: DAVID MOORE
SECOND: HUEY ATKINS**

ACTION: The motion **PASSED** with no objections, nor abstentions.

FY2013 FUNDING DISTRIBUTION DISCUSSION

Mr. Courtney Terwilliger and Mr. Huey Atkins provided spreadsheets for the Committee with suggestions for disturbing funds. The members discussed how to best use the funds for FY2013, and if there were programs that needed to be cut. The members discussed each of the examples and Mr. Ben Hinson asked that the Committee decide on one to take to the Trauma Commission for approval.

MOTION #5 EMS Subcommittee 2012-07-24:

The motion was made to approve version #1 (provided by Mr. Courtney Terwilliger, attached)

**MOTION BY: DAVID MOORE
SECOND: NONE**

ACTION: The motion **FAILED**.

MOTION #6 EMS Subcommittee 2012-07-24:

The motion was made to approve version #3 (provided by Mr. Huey Atkins, attached)

MOTION BY: BEN HINSON
SECOND: NONE

ACTION: The motion ***FAILED***.

Discussion:

Mr. Ben Hinson reminded the committee that a decision needed to be made in order for the Trauma Commission to approve it. Further discussion ensued.

MOTION #7 EMS Subcommittee 2012-07-24:

The motion was made to approve version #3 (provided by Mr. Huey Atkins, attached)

MOTION BY: COURTNEY TERWILLIGER
SECOND: LEE OLIVER

ACTION: The motion ***PASSED*** with objections by Mr. Courtney Terwilliger and Mr. Lee Oliver, no abstentions.

DISCUSSION: This version will be used as a starting point to bring to the Trauma Commission for approval and will possibly be further reviewed and modified.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

Next Meeting Date

Date and time of the next meeting is to be determined, expected to take place during September in Macon.

Meeting adjourned at 12:37 PM.

Crafted by Tammy Smith



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Memorandum:

To: All EMS Directors of Zoned 911 Services
From: The Georgia Association of EMS
Date: July 27, 2012
Subject: First Responder Grant Opportunities

In April 2012, the Georgia Association of EMS received a grant from the Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission to help improve the care of trauma victims in Georgia. This grant included monies for First Responder Training (\$112,143.70). With this grant funding the GAEMS will provide funding to teach nineteen (19) First Responders Courses.

All 911 zoned EMS providers in Georgia are eligible to apply for this grant. **Please take a few minutes to read this entire document to insure your success in this opportunity.**

Eligibility for this funding requires applications to be completed and mailed to GAEMS at the address listed above. Applications must be post marked on or before September 15, 2012.

The First Responder Grant – total amount to be expended - \$112,143.70

This is a competitive grant and will be awarded to the 911 zoned services that score highest on the grant scoring instrument. Only 911 zoned ambulance services will be eligible for the grant. The service may work with another agency to conduct the course but the GAEMS will deal only with the Ambulance Service and the Director of the Service will be the person accountable as it pertains to the grant. If a county does not have an ambulance service in the county then the ambulance service that provides EMS coverage will be the agency eligible for the grant. However the class should be taught in the county listed on the application. No individual county or zone will be eligible for more than one grant unless there are fewer requests than courses available. In the event of a tie we will add one point to the application whose base location is more distant to a level one or two trauma center from the EMS primary base station.

The total dollar of each grant will vary depending on the number of students who are enrolled in the first responder class. The minimum number of students eligible for this grant is 12 and the maximum number we will reimburse for is 25. While you may elect to have more than 25 students in the class we will only reimburse for a maximum of 25. Each class must go through the approval process as developed by the State Office of EMS and Trauma. To receive funding we must have a letter from the Regional Coordinator stating that your class is an approved class.

While these students may be eligible to challenge the National Registry exam, the grant funding cannot be used to pay the expenses associated with taking this exam

You are not required to have prior course approval to apply for this grant. If you are awarded the grant you will have time to meet all requirements. However if you do not have course approval by February 1, 2013, the GAEMS will revoke the grant and award to another agency. In order to be eligible for maximum funding you must complete your course and provide appropriate documentation to the GAEMS by June 30, 2013.

Upon verification of course approval from the Regional Office and a copy of the beginning roster the GAEMS will pay:

- Approved cost of the textbooks (\$70.00) per student minus any sales tax to the sponsoring agency.
- 50% of the instructor and supply fee (one half of \$25.00 per hour for 50 hours and \$10.00 per student for the supply fee. The remaining cost for the instructor will be paid when GAEMS receives confirmation from the Regional EMS Office that the course has been completed and we have received the end of course roster. GAEMS will only send two checks to the service to pay for this course.
- The GAEMS will provide a jump bag for each successful student after confirmation is received from the Regional Office at the end of the course
- GAEMS will provide a safety vest for each student who successfully completes the course. These vests will be provided after verification has been received through the Regional EMS Office of successful completion of the course, and we have received a copy of the roster of successful students with sizes needed for each student.

The grant application and scoring sheet is a part of this document.

If you have any questions or need any assistance, please e-mail Kim Littleton, Executive Director of the GAEMS at kimberly0630@gmail.com.

THE GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF EMS
 THE GEORGIA TRAUMA CARE NETWORK COMMISSION
 FIRST RESPONDER TRAINING GRANT PROGRAM
 APPLICATION

Applicant Organization:

Address of Organization (street address):

Address of Organization (mailing address):

City:	State:	Zip Code
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Phone:	Fax	
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E-mail address: This is how the GAEMS will communicate with you concerning this grant. Please insure it is correct and you monitor this address:	E-mail
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DIRECTOR OF THE 911 ZONED AMBULANCE SERVICE:

Name/Title

Phone:	Fax	Cell Phone
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ZONE INFORMATION

Zone Location	Region #
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Population of the 911 Zone	Area of the zone (in Square Miles)
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# of Staffed Ambulance in the zone (at peak times)	Is there a Hospital in the zone
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LEAD INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION

Name and Level of Instructor License

Address

City:	State:	Zip Code:
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Phone:	Fax:	E-mail
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This information is for the GAEMS files only. All official correspondence dealing with this grant will be done through the EMS Director

TEACHING INSTITUTION (If different from the Zoned 911 Service)

Name of Organization:

Address:

City:	State	Zip
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"The organization receiving these funds agrees to participate in Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission-sponsored programs and initiatives when requested including Regional Trauma Advisory Committees or Councils, Automatic Vehicle Location System (AVLS) program and the Georgia Trauma Communications Center."

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND THAT I HAVE SUBMITTED THIS APPLICATION ON THE BEHALF OF THE APPLICANT ORGANIZATION. I UNDERSTAND THAT IF ANY INFORMATION IS FOUND TO BE MISREPRESENTED OR FALSIFIED THE APPLYING ORGANIZATION WILL BE INELIGIBLE FOR PARTICIPATION IN THIS GRANT

Signature	Printed name	Date:
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First Responder Course Scoring Sheet

911 Zone Information	Points
No Staffed EMS Units and No Hospital	50
One Staffed EMS Unit and No Hospital	40
One Staffed EMS Unit and a Hospital	30
Two Staffed EMS Units and No Hospital	20
Two Staffed EMS Units and a Hospital	10
Other	5
Population Density	
We will use the Population Density Scale developed by the Trauma Commission for the vehicle replacement grants. This document is listed below	Points awarded per PDS scale below

Population Density (ppl/sq. mile)	Points Awarded for Population Density
0	60
25	60
50	57
75	55.5
100	54
125	52.5
150	51
175	49.5
200	48
225	46.5
250	45
275	43.5
300	42
325	40.5
350	39
375	37.5
400	36
425	34.5
450	33
475	31.5
500	30
525	28.5
550	27
575	25.5
600	24
625	22.5

650	21
675	19.5
700	18
725	16.5
750	15
775	13.5
800	12
825	10.5
850	9
875	7.5
900	6
925	4.5
950	3
975	1.5
1000	0
1025	0
5000	0



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Memorandum:

To: All EMS Directors of Zoned 911 Services
From: The Georgia Association of EMS
Date: July 27, 2012
Subject: Grant Opportunities

The Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission has awarded the EMS community a grant to be used to purchase trauma related equipment for 911 zoned ambulance providers. The total amount of this money is \$388,641.20. In addition the GAEMS has surplus funds from the FY2011 grant that were not claimed by the EMS agencies that had previously been awarded these funds. The surplus amount is \$49,005.22. The Trauma Commission has given GAEMS permission to add these surplus funds to the FY2012 trauma equipment grant. The total amount of money to be dispersed is **\$437,646.42**.

Additionally, this year the Trauma Commission has agreed to allow the service to purchase any equipment that will enhance your ability to care for trauma patients.

All 911 zoned EMS providers in Georgia are eligible to apply for this grant. **Please take a few minutes to read this entire document to insure your success in these opportunities.**

Eligibility for this funding requires applications to be completed and mailed to GAEMS at the address listed above and be post marked on or before September 15, 2012, or you may send your application electronically to Kim Littleton, Executive Director of GAEMS, at kimberly0630@gmail.com.

The Equipment Grant – total amount to be expended \$437,646.42

This grant will be awarded in an equal amount for each licensed ambulance used to provide emergency patient care as part of a 911 zone. This is a non-competitive grant. Each eligible ambulance will receive the same dollar amount in this grant. The exact amount of money to be allocated to each 911 zoned ambulance will be determined after the grant application deadline of September 1, 2012. **The amount awarded per each ambulance will be determined by dividing the total grant amount by the number of 911 zoned ambulances that we have received applications for by the grant application deadline of September 15, 2012.**

While every 911 ambulance is eligible for the funding ***you must apply for these funds to be awarded the money. GAEMS will send only one check to your service to reimburse for the grant.***

THE GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF EMS
 THE GEORGIA TRAUMA CARE NETWORK COMMISSION
 DISTRIBUTION OF TRAUMA RELATED EQUIPMENT GRANT
 APPLICATION

Applicant Organization:

Address of Organization (street address):

City:	State:	Zip Code
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Phone:	Fax	
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E-mail address: This is how the GAEMS will communicate with you concerning this grant. Please insure it is correct and you monitor this address:	E-mail
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DIRECTOR OF THE 911 ZONED AMBULANCE SERVICE:

Name/Title

Address

City:	State	Zip Code
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Phone:	Fax	Cell Phone
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PLEASE INDICATE THE NUMBER OF 911 ZONED AMBULANCES PER ZONE

Zone location	# of 911 Ambulances in this zone	Region #
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Signature	Printed name	Date:
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Affidavit:

I am the Director of _____ EMS. I have been awarded a grant from the Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission in the amount of _____. I have purchased:

Item Purchased	Number of Units Purchased	Cost of Each Unit	Total Cost
Total Cost of All Items Purchased			

I _____ do affirm that the above equipment has been purchased and placed
(Printed name)
in service.

Signature

Date

Witness

Date

Please provide mailing address for check:

Suggestions for FY 2013 Money Version 1					
Available EMS Budget @ 20% of available funds for stakeholders:		\$	2,676,459		
Staffing and Meeting Support		\$	3,500		Staffing and minutes development
AVLS Air Time Support		\$	360,250		
Available for distribution	\$	2,312,709			Available for distribution
% Distribution from FY 2010 funding	%				
EMS Uncompensated Care	23.70%	\$	548,000		
EMS Vehicle Equipment Replacement Grants	48.79%	\$	1,128,329		16.00
First Responder Training Grants	0.00%				
Support EMS Leadership Program	4.32%	\$	100,000	\$	95,000
Extrication Project	3.29%	\$	75,981	\$	72,182
PHTLS/ITLS	2.59%	\$	60,000	\$	57,000
Trauma Care Related Equipment	17.31%	\$	400,399	\$	380,379
Total	100.00%				\$422.64
		\$	2,676,459		
Remaining :		\$	-		

Sixteen ambulances at \$70520.56

13 Grants If 900 apply

Suggestions for FY 2013 Money - Version 2					
Available EMS Budget @ 20% of available funds for stakeholders:		\$	2,676,459		
Staffing and Meeting Support		\$	3,500		Staffing and minutes development
AVLS Air Time Support		\$	360,250		AVLS Air Time
Available for distribution	\$	2,312,709			Available for distribution
%	%				
EMS Uncompensated Care	0.00%				
EMS Vehicle Equipment Replacement Grants	53.29%	\$	1,232,500		17
First Responder Training Grants	5.10%	\$	118,046	\$	112,144
Support EMS Leadership Program	4.84%	\$	112,000	\$	106,400
Extrication Project	3.29%	\$	75,981	\$	72,182
PHTLS/ITLS	4.32%	\$	100,000	\$	95,000
Trauma Care Related Equipment	29.15%	\$	674,182	\$	640,473
Total	100.00%				\$711.64
		\$	2,676,459		
Remaining :		\$	-		

Nineteen Grants

22 Grants If 900 apply

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Suggestions for FY 2013 Money Version 1

Available EMS Budget @ 20% of available funds for stakeholders:		\$ 2,676,459			
Staffing and Meeting Support		\$ 3,500		Staffing and minutes development	
AVLS Air Time Support		\$ 360,250			
Available for distribution	\$ 2,312,709			Available for distribution	
% Distribution from FY 2010 funding	%				
EMS Uncompensated Care	32.84%	\$ 759,562			
EMS Vehicle Equipment Replacement Grants	30.49%	\$ 705,206		10.00	Ten ambulances at \$70520.56
First Responder Training Grants	3.05%	\$ 70,520	\$ 66,994		12 Grants
Support EMS Leadership Program	4.32%	\$ 100,000	\$ 95,000		
Extrication Project	3.29%	\$ 75,981	\$ 72,182	Continue to Support "crossover" training in extrication	
PHTLS/ITLS	2.59%	\$ 60,000	\$ 57,000	12.67	13 Grants
Trauma Care Related Equipment	23.41%	\$ 541,440	\$ 514,368	\$571.52	If 900 apply
Total	100.00%				
		\$ 2,676,459			
Remaining :		\$ 0			