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MEMORANDUM

Date: February 13, 2018

To: Illinois licensed and based Emergency Medical Services (EMS) provider agencies that provide EMS services within the State of Illinois

From: Paula Atteberry, RN, BSN *PAW*
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Division of EMS and Highway Safety

Re: EMS Assistance Fund Grant Available FY19

The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) is pleased to have the opportunity again this year to distribute funds to Illinois EMS Agencies who can demonstrate the need for resources. The grant program will provide *for the purposes of organization, development and improvement of Emergency Medical Services Systems, including but not limited to training of personnel and acquisition, modification and maintenance of necessary supplies and equipment.* (210 ILCS 50/3.220(c)) The application and training materials to complete the application are available through IDPH's Electronic Grant Administration and Management System (EGrAMS) home page which can be found at idphgrants.com.

EMS Assistance Grants will be awarded if, and only if, funded and authorized by the Illinois General Assembly.

In accordance with the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (GATA) and Federal Uniform Guidance (2 CFR 200), grantee entities must complete pre-award requirements prior to receiving a Fiscal Year 2019 grant award from the State of Illinois. Visit <https://www.illinois.gov/sites/GATA/Grantee/Pages/default.aspx> for instructions. **EMS Assistance grantees need only to do steps 1 and 2 if they have not done so in the past.**

As in past years, due to the limited amount of grant funds available, the Department will not consider applications for new vehicles, vehicle re-chassis, building projects or grant requests over \$5000.00.

The participation of the Regional EMS Advisory Committee is very important to this grant program. Individual EMS regional plans dictate the process that each region will follow in managing the disbursement of information regarding this grant. The Regional EMS Advisory Committee provides the Division of EMS and Highway Safety with recommendations for disbursement of grant funds. Final grant awards will be determined by the Division of EMS and Highway Safety.

Deadline to complete applications through IDPH's EGrAMS is close of business on Monday, March 26, 2018. The Regional Advisory Committee must have all application recommendations and rankings completed **by Tuesday, July 31, 2018.** If you have any questions regarding the grant application process please contact me at paula.atteberry@illinois.gov or at 217-785-2083.

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