

## **AST&S RFP Applicant Questions**

- 1. Are we able to submit multiple sites in the state (same organization but each site has its own EIN) on one application?
  - a. If each site has its own EIN, then you would want to submit an application for each individual site and make sure the location is clear within each application.
- 2. For the course reimbursements, our organization provides the course in some cases. If we have a rate that we charge the student, do we just use that to reimburse ourselves?
  - a. Yes.
- 3. Should the total roster count include PRNs?
  - a. Yes.
- 4. Should on-call staff be classified on the roster & would they be considered PT employees? They are paid per run; not hourly (e.g., part-time, full-time, etc.)
  - a. On-call staff should be classified as PT for the purposes of the application, although this in no way changes their status under relevant state or federal labor law.
- 5. Can potential new hires receive a conditional offer of employment contingent upon successful EMT certification within an adequate timeframe?
  - a. Yes, hiring decisions are of course up to the ambulance service, but a service could hire someone in a time limited trainee/apprenticeship classification with contingent offer for an EMT position upon achievement of certification.
- 6. Is the hourly wage reimbursement (up to \$26 per hour for wages and benefits) available to staff who are "on call" and paid per run but are not considered part/full time?
  - a. Yes, the grant establishes the maximum allowable, not a minimum.
- 7. We have EMTs going to paramedic training/education partly funded by a MN Dual Pipeline Grant. Are these EMTs eligible to "earn while they learn" or this strictly for EMS Departments to use as a recruiting tool to add new EMTs to our team?
  - a. The funds cannot be used for anyone <u>who is currently</u> certified as an EMT. The funding is not eligible for paramedic training (beyond EMT certification). If you have someone who has their EMR and is currently pursuing a EMT course to become a certified EMT and they are still enrolled as of January, when the grant starts, they would be eligible.

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