

641—140.4 (135) County EMS system development grants. Grants for EMS system development proposals at the regional, county, and local level are available through a grant process from the department to county boards of supervisors or local boards of health for equipment, training, and support of infrastructure needs as identified in the countywide EMS strategic plan and the department system standards. County boards of supervisors or local boards of health may not take any administrative fee from these funds to support their work under this rule. County recipients of funds may subcontract work under this agreement to a county EMS association. Funds for training will be used to train members of a service program that provides service on a regular basis to residents of the county being funded. Funds for equipment require a \$1 match of regional, county, or local funds for each \$1 of EMS system development grant funds.

140.4(1) *Eligible costs.* Costs which are eligible for EMS system development grant expenditures as defined in the request for proposal (RFP) include:

a. Training.

(1) Reimbursement for initial training tuition, fees and materials up to an amount that is the lowest fee charged by the training entity following successful completion of an EMS course. Practical and written examination fees may also be included.

(2) Payment of continuing education tuition, fees and materials. Education provided by an EMS service program for the general public is an allowable expense.

(3) Payment for EMS training aids.

b. Other equipment as defined by the RFP.

c. Infrastructure support.

(1) Development and enhancement of EMS systems.

(2) Office equipment and supplies necessary to coordinate a countywide EMS system.

(3) Personnel services for staffing to provide countywide continuous quality improvement and medical direction.

The title to any EMS equipment purchased with these funds shall not lie with the department, but shall be determined by the county.

140.4(2) *Ineligible costs.* Costs which are not eligible for funding include, but are not limited to, the following:

a. Certification/recertification fees.

b. Building and construction costs.

c. Debt amortization.

d. Land.

e. Rent.

f. Utilities.

g. Vehicles including, but not limited to, ambulances, fire apparatus, boats, rescue/first response vehicles, snowmobiles and vehicle parts.