



DATE: June 12, 2018
FROM: Division of Emergency Medical Systems
TO: Funding Areas Applying for REMSA Funds under Multiple Model Budgets
RE: Extended Deadline for REMSA Grant Applications and New Clarifications

The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH), with recommendations from the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council (EMSAC), recently revised the North Dakota Rural EMS Assistance (REMSA) fund grant application procedure.

The change in the Phase III grant guidance has created a need for more than just the lead agency to provide an application and budget. No more than two services were funded under one model budget, therefore, any funding area with three or more services was categorized under two or more model budgets. Consequently, if your service is listed with another service but with only one award amount, the two services will need to submit a joint application and a budget for the award amount. The decision on which service receives what amount will be determined at the local level through collaboration. Each funding area with multiple ambulance services will receive a new funding award letter. Again, the award letters that show two services but only one award amount indicates that those services named must submit a joint application and budget.

Due to this confusion, the NDDoH has decided to extend the application deadline **for all funding areas** to June 19, 2018. Updated grant guidance clarifying this discrepancy will be sent out to all funding areas by end-of-day Tuesday, June 12. Each funding area with multiple ambulance services should refer to the bolded bullet point of the new grant guidance under “Phase III Funding.” Please remember that most funding areas in which only one agency is receiving an award will not be affected by this change.

An additional grant application is included with this letter with the new deadline date for your completion. As a convenience, if you have already completed the first application you do not have to redo the application with the new date.

The Division of Emergency Medical Systems appreciates your patience as we work through these remaining details. Please contact the DEMS Grants Coordinator, Debra Dutchuk at debdtuchuk@nd.gov or 701.328.3215 with any questions.