FUNDING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM PURCHASING GUIDE

Per Wis. Stat. § 256.12(4)(c), funds distributed under the support and improvement portion of the Funding Assistance Program (FAP) shall supplement existing budgeted moneys of or provided to an ambulance service provider and may not be used to replace, decrease, or release for alternative purposes the existing budgeted moneys of or provided to an ambulance service. While a comprehensive list of all items that may be approved using FAP funds is not possible, the following list will assist services. If services have any doubt as to whether an item would qualify, please contact the EMS Section Chief for a determination before you complete a purchase. You will need to provide documentation of EMS Section Chief approval for the “Financial Report of Expenditures” application.

VEHICLES

- New emergency medical service vehicles
- Emergency vehicle repairs over $500 (i.e., repairs not associated with regular vehicle maintenance)
- Non-routine safety upgrades to existing vehicles (NFPA 1919 safety standard upgrades, reflective chevrons)

EMS EQUIPMENT

- Durable diagnostic medical equipment (examples include, but are not limited to, pulse oximetry devices, patient CO monitoring devices, glucometers, stethoscopes, capnography devices, thermometers, sphygmomanometers, electronic venous access assist aids, ultrasonic devices, etc.)
- Durable medical tools (laryngoscopes, visual laryngoscopes, ring cutters, IO drills, surgical clippers for AEDs, penlights, etc.)
- Durable immobilization equipment (Kendrick Extrication Devices, short spine boards, non-disposal cervical immobilization devices, traction splints, vacuum splints, board splints, etc.)
- Durable patient transport equipment (ambulance cots, longboards, scoop stretchers, stair chairs, spider straps, blankets, patient linens, etc.)
- Medical bags, medical cases, tactical kits
- Cardiac monitoring equipment or automatic external defibrillators
- Mechanical CPR devices
- Non-disposable airway equipment (CPAP devices, ventilators, oxygen tanks, oxygen regulator, non-disposable suction devices, etc.)
- Replacement batteries for medical equipment (AEDs)
• Safety Devices (CO monitors, traffic vests, flashlights)
• Medication safe

COMMUNICATIONS

• Radios
• Radio accessories (charges, batteries, collar mic)
• Pagers
• Cellular telephones
• Computers, tablets, or other digital devices for patient care report use
• Portable Wi-Fi hotspots for ambulances
• Electronic patient care reporting software
• Scanners for patient tracking

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

• Universal ballistic helmets or vests (i.e., not personalized items specific to TEMS operators)
• Universal extrication overalls or turnout gear (i.e., not structural firefighting turnout gear)
• Reusable coveralls or overalls
• Respirators
• Disposable personal protective equipment
• Covid-19 response personal protective equipment
• Decontamination devices (EMS Only)

TRAINING

• Initial training (tuition, fees, books, etc.)
• Seminars and training classes (tuition, fees, CAPCE approved educational courses, etc.)
• Mileage associated with travel for training opportunities
• Training aids for EMS training (training manikins, AED trainers, airway trainers, anatomical training props, mass casualty training aids, moulage equipment, rhythm generators, EMS training videos, software, textbooks, electronic meeting platforms, etc.)
• Classroom aids (overhead projectors, white boards, computers, projectors, internet or Wi-Fi access, web camera etc.)
• NREMT psychomotor and cognitive examinations

ITEMS THAT DO NOT QUALIFY UNDER THE FUNDING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

• Wages, rent, utilities, etc.
• Medical Director fees
• Uniforms
• Professional association memberships
• Insurance premiums
• Nondurable or disposable medical supplies or equipment
• Medications
• IV solutions
• Regular vehicle maintenance or repairs (replacement tires, replacement lights, oil changes, etc.)
• Firefighting apparatus, equipment or training
• Self-contained breathing apparatus used for firefighting
• Turnout gear intended for structural firefighting
• Extrication equipment
• Community EMS
• Food, beverages, party supplies
• Tactical gear intended for TEMS providers