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May 9, 2017

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Executive Council
State House
Concord, NH 03301

Requested Action

1. Authorize the Department of Safety, Division of Fire Standards & Training and Emergency Medical Services to hold a one-day conference on November 3, 2017, at the North Conway Grand Hotel in North Conway, New Hampshire (VC 158866, B001), for trauma training to healthcare providers for a total cost not to exceed \$8,599.48. Effective upon Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2018. Funding source: 100% Agency Income (Registration Fees).

2. Contingent upon approval of Requested Action#1, authorize an advance payment of \$1,000.00 to the North Conway Grand Hotel, PO Box 3189, North Conway, New Hampshire 03860 (vendor code 158866, B001) for an advance deposit to secure the date and facility.

02-23-23-237010-46520000 Dept. of Safety – Fire Standards TRNG-EMS – Fire Standards Instruction			
102-500731 Contracts for Program Services	<u>SFY2017</u>	<u>FY2018</u>	<u>Total</u>
Activity Code: 2370	\$1,000.00	\$7,599.48	\$8,599.48

Explanation

This conference is organized to help fulfill the Division’s statutory obligations under RSA 153-A:1, I & II, by providing proper training to individuals through trauma-focused educational sessions. Traumatic injury is a health problem in New Hampshire and a cause of unnecessary death. Emergency medical services in rural and wilderness areas require adequately trained personnel to treat and transport trauma victims. This conference will provide much needed education in regards to traumatic injuries to special populations (i.e., pediatric, geriatric, bariatric) throughout New Hampshire.

The North Conway Grand Hotel will best meet the needs for this conference by providing accommodations for a general session along with break-out session space at the most efficient pricing. Additional factors that were considered included selecting a facility that could accommodate 150 participants, dates of availability, layout conducive to the function of the conference and travel distance, especially for the North Country participants. Quotes were obtained from three locations, with the North Conway Grand Hotel submitting the lowest price. The total cost of this one-day conference includes the cost of the facility rental, hotel rooms, and meals, as well as overnight accommodations for the speakers. Pursuant to RSA 21-P:12-a.II.(h), these costs will be paid from the registration fees collected.

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Barthelmes
Commissioner of Safety

Request for Quotes Summary

NH Department of Safety, Division of Fire Standards & Training and Emergency Medical Services
2017 NH EMS Trauma System Conference

North Conway Grand Hotel	
Total Guest Rooms:	\$1,335.00
Total Meals:	\$6,450.48
Total Facilities Rental and AV:	\$814.00
Grand Total:	\$8,599.48

Attitash Grand Summit	
Total Guest Rooms:	\$1,635.00
Total Meals:	\$7,040.00
Total Facilities Rental & AV	\$1,462.80
Grand Total:	\$10,137.80

Mountain View Grand Resort	
Total Guest Rooms:	\$2,385.00
Total Meals:	\$11,010.00
Total Facilities Rental & AV	\$1,295.00
Grand Total:	\$14,690.00



NH Trauma System Conference
November 3, 2017

7:45am	<i>Welcome</i>
8:00am	<i>State of the State</i>
8:30am	Key Note Speaker
9:30am	Break/ Vendor Visit
10:00am	Morning Break-out Session
11:00am	Morning Break-out Session
12:00pm	Lunch/ Vendor Visit
1:00pm	Afternoon Break-out Session
2:00pm	Afternoon Break-out Session
3:00pm	Break
3:15pm	Afternoon Break-out Session

TITLE XII

PUBLIC SAFETY AND WELFARE

CHAPTER 153-A

EMERGENCY MEDICAL AND TRAUMA SERVICES

Section 153-A:1

153-A:1 Declaration of Policy and Purpose. –

- * I. The general court declares that it is the policy of the state of New Hampshire to save lives and speed the healing of persons in need of medical services by providing an emergency medical and trauma services system that will bring an injured or sick person under the care of properly trained individuals in the shortest practical time, and that will provide safe transportation to the most appropriate treatment center prepared to receive the sick or injured person. It is the policy of the state of New Hampshire to insure that the sick or injured person is safely transported in properly equipped vehicles which are designed to supply supportive care and which are able to communicate with medical treatment centers. The use of properly licensed wheelchair vans for hire is to ensure that patients confined to a wheelchair are transported in equipped vehicles driven by personnel approved by the division.
- * II. The general court recognizes that traumatic injury is a health problem in the state of New Hampshire and a cause of unnecessary death and that an organized system for the delivery of trauma care services in New Hampshire should be available. Emergency medical services in rural and wilderness areas require adequately trained and equipped personnel to treat and transport trauma victims. Therefore, the general court declares that the establishment of a coordinated statewide trauma and injury prevention system will benefit all residents and visitors to New Hampshire by reducing the incidence of traumatic injury and minimizing human suffering and disability.
- III. The general court, recognizing that the provision of emergency medical and trauma services at the local level is a continuation of a long and valued tradition of neighbor helping neighbor that should be encouraged and maintained, and that the individual providers of emergency medical care must be part of a comprehensive system of care delivery, declares that it is the purpose of this chapter to assure the development, coordination, and administration of an emergency medical and trauma services system that reflects the differing needs and abilities of the state's communities and regions.
- IV. The general court further recognizes that the delivery of adequate pre-hospital care is reliant on the thorough cooperation of the emergency medical care providers and, therefore, the general court urges the emergency medical care providers to cooperate with and follow the lead of each emergency medical service unit's medical resource hospital.
- V. The general court recognizes that volunteers make up a large portion of the staffing of the emergency medical service units, especially in the northern portion of the state. Therefore, the general court believes that the training levels for minimum certification as an emergency medical care provider should continue to allow future volunteer emergency medical care provider participation.
- VI. The general court declares that, to the extent it is possible, it is the policy of the state of New Hampshire to allow patients to be transported to the hospital, medical facility, or location of their choice in their area, if there is no compelling medical reason to the contrary. Further, the general court declares that, if appropriate, durable power of attorney for health care and the living will statutes should be taken into consideration in providing emergency medical and trauma services.

TITLE I

THE STATE AND ITS GOVERNMENT

CHAPTER 21-P

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

General Provisions

Section 21-P:12-a

21-P:12-a Division of Fire Standards and Training and Emergency Medical Services; Disposition of Funds. –

I. There is established within the department a division of fire standards and training and emergency medical services, under the supervision of an unclassified director of fire standards and training and emergency medical services who shall administer and supervise a fire and emergency medical service training and research program throughout the state. The director of fire standards and training and emergency medical services shall be nominated by the commissioner of safety, after consultation with the fire standards and training commission and the emergency medical and trauma services coordinating board, for appointment by the governor, with consent of the council, and shall serve a term of 4 years until a successor is appointed. The commission shall take a recorded vote regarding its concurrence or non-concurrence in the commissioner's nomination decision. If the commission votes not to concur in the decision, it shall submit a letter to the commissioner so stating, and the commissioner shall in turn submit that letter to the governor and council. The director of fire standards and training and emergency medical services shall be academically and technically qualified to hold the position, and shall receive the salary specified in RSA 94:1-a.

II. The director shall:

(a) Be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the division of fire standards and training and emergency medical services, the operations of the fire academy, including establishing training programs and offering instruction in methods of determining and dealing with the causes of fire and the prevention of fire, techniques in firefighting, emergency medical services, and rescue, research and techniques in firefighting and fire protection, the administration and management of fire departments and emergency medical services units, and the provisions of RSA 21-P:12-b.

(b) Establish fees to be collected for tuition, licenses, and services. Such fees shall be subject to the approval of the commissioner of the department of safety. The commissioner may for good cause waive any fees charged under this subparagraph and may authorize tuition reimbursement from the fire standards and training and emergency medical services fund.

(c) Establish, maintain, approve, and certify programs, courses, institutions, and facilities for study for all fire service and emergency medical services personnel and recruits according to accepted curricula.

(d) Develop and administer the provision of professional instruction and training for all fire, rescue, and emergency medical services.

(e) Develop and promote new methods and practices of firefighting, delivery of emergency medical services, rescue operations, injury prevention, fire prevention, and fire and emergency medical services administration.

(f) Disseminate information relative to fire and rescues, techniques of firefighting and rescuing,

fire prevention, fire administration, emergency medical services, and other related subjects to all interested agencies and individuals throughout the state.

(g) Be authorized to employ part-time instructors or assistants and compensate them for organizing, developing, and conducting approved fire training, emergency medical services, and rescue courses or other work as directed at an hourly rate established by the commissioner and for mileage and expenses incurred in performing their official duties.

* (h) With the approval of the commissioner, accept in the name of the state any and all donations, fees for tuition, rents, services and any and all moneys and grants from any governmental unit, public agency, institution, person, firm, or corporation and receive, utilize, expend, and dispose of such funds subject to budgetary provisions, consistent with the rules of the department of safety and the purposes or conditions of the donations or grant.

III. The receipt of a donation or grant under subparagraph II(h) shall be noted in the biennial report of the department of safety, which will also identify the nature of the donation or grant and the conditions of the donation or grant, if any. Any moneys received by the division pursuant to subparagraph II(h) shall be deposited in the state treasury to the account of the department of safety and shall not lapse. In addition, the division may receive, hold, and use gifts, bequests, and devises either outright or in trust for purposes consistent with this chapter.

Source. 1994, 389:9. 1997, 135:1. 1998, 321:3. 2001, 91:15. 2004, 171:26, eff. July 24, 2004.