

Supplemental Questions:

1. Has there been any talk or discussion about extending the December 2nd due date for the cost reports?
2. Regarding depreciation of ambulances purchased with Grant Funds: If the District received an ambulance with "grant" funds, can they be depreciated?
3. All expenses to keep the ambulance on the road (fuel, tires, equipment, etc.) are MTS expenses. Correct?
4. Time study of all employees: This seems impossible to do. Can you please explain a simple way to figure out how much of each employee's hours of work are MTS expenses?
5. Calculating cost for MTS personnel that are firefighters and paramedics assigned to the ambulance? Are 100% of their costs MTS related or do we need to analyze proportion of time spent on MTS services.
6. If we don't have patient information on a response and we send it to be billed, would that be counted as a bad debt?
7. On Allocatable and MTS personnel, do we include overtime costs?
8. What are the administrative costs to Sacramento Metro and/or the State?
9. Concerning our dispatching cost: our dispatchers dispatch for both fire and ems calls; do we need to determine the percent and apply that to the total expense and only use the ems portion?
10. With regard to calculating cost for MTS personnel that are firefighters and paramedics assigned to the ambulance, are 100% of their costs MTS related or do we need to analyze proportion of time spent on MTS services vs. fire related activities (eg. Training, inspections, firefighting, etc.)?
11. In our cost reports it appears we need to break down our Medi-Cal revenue by Medi-Cal HMO, Medi-Cal Fee for Service, and Medi-Medi transports. I do not believe we currently get monthly reports from Wittman that include this level of detail. Is this something Wittman can provide retrospectively for the entire period under consideration?
12. We contract out all services, Fire to OCFA and Ambulance transport to a private company as well as billing services. Am I to include the contract price of all 3 services on my cost report? And where on the report do these get listed?
13. Can we include the Salaries & Benefits of our civilian EMS Nurse Specialist as MTS?
14. Schedule 9 has changed since the original training, the line we enter total number of MTS Transports has been broken down to also include "Managed Care, Fee for Service and Medi-Medi, and Other"....does Wittman provide the breakdown for us?
15. We use replacement funds. Any given budget year has only the contributions to these funds. The purchase of large pieces of equipment are made from the replacement funds. Do we back out all these contributions and capture our equipment costs from their depreciation schedules instead?

16. Would any other agencies out there be comfortable sharing the cost per call they have come up with so far? Please state size of agency and if it's a City Fire Department or otherwise.
17. I may have missed it if they addressed in the beginning, but can someone please confirm the upcoming deadline dates.
18. For FY 2009-10 cost report only: Schedule 9, line 8: Do we include the entire years' worth of calls, or just Q3 and Q4 only?
19. Are we required to submit a copy of our annual audited financial report with the cost report?
20. Can you explain the ARRA and is everyone affected by it?
21. I was under the impression that Fire Marshal and Fire Prevention Bureau costs cannot be included in the GEMT Cost Reports...is this incorrect?
22. If we contract to our County to provide service in a response zone outside of the city limits, would we be considered City and County or strictly City since we are solely managed internally?