Request for Grant Application (RFGA) Rural Hospital Stabilization Grant Program – Phase Seven Questions & Answers State Fiscal Year 2022

NO.	Question	Answer
1.	The hospital in Berrien County wants to submit a grant for this \$900K project. Our proposal will meet all four of the Core Program goals. We are proposing buying an ambulance and use it during the day to do clinic rounding on frequent users of the ER in our county and neighboring rural counties. At night we will use this truck for emergency transport out of Berrien County. The county only has two trucks and getting critical patients transferred from our ER to a higher level of care has become a significant problem. I did a similar grant project in Lanier County around three years ago and I know that one of the grants presented was regarding a clinic rounding program for ER patients. Could you send me the contact information for the hospital that did this?	The resource document speaks to no purchases for vehicles and is referenced all through the application. <i>Exclusions</i> : Funds may not be used to purchase vehicles, land, fund "ground-up" construction, or otherwise create new, long-term debt. In regard to the request for hospital contact information, we are not familiar with the program referenced.
2.	Our SGMC Berrien Campus leadership team would like to ask if there are any guidelines on when the awarded grant monies can be spent? For instance, if equipment needs to be purchased in 2023 or 2024 could this funding be utilized for those years instead of 2022?	You will have a year after award date to spend grant funds. Award dates have not been determined but will take place before July 1, 2022.