NOTICE OF DIRECT AWARD

STATE OFFICE OF RURAL HEALTH

ST-ELEVATED MYOCARDIAL INFRACTION (STEMI) EDUCATION AND TRAINING

POSTING DATE: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2012
INQUIRY CLOSING DATE: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2012

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## AGENCY BACKGROUND

The Georgia Department of Community Health (DCH) was created in 1999 by Senate Bill 241 to serve as the lead agency for health care planning and purchasing issues in Georgia. DCH is the single state agency for Medicaid and insures over two million people in the State of Georgia, maximizing the State’s health care purchasing power, coordinating health planning for State agencies and proposing cost-effective solutions for reducing the number of uninsured.

Within DCH, the State Office of Rural Health (SORH) serves works to improve access to health care in rural and underserved areas and to reduce health status disparities. SORH provides funding for institutional framework that links small rural communities with State & Federal resources to help develop long-term solutions to rural health problems.

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

State Office of Rural Health, Hospital Services provides technical assistance and resources to rural hospitals to continue health care services to Georgia’s rural residents.

The objective of the ST-Elevated Myocardial Infarction Grant Project is to develop and provide education and training in the thirty-four (34) Critical Access Hospitals and Emergency Medical Services personnel and communities; thus improving the post-STEMI clinical outcomes in rural Georgia. Over the three year, three phase period the project will develop an education and training program, performance measures, and evaluate patient outcomes. Timely and accurate identification and intervention of STEMI will result in reducing cardiovascular deaths in rural Georgia.

## AWARD JUSTIFICATION

The Georgia Department of Community Health intends to award Georgia Association of EMS a grant in the amount of $74,000 per year for three years to develop a ST-Elevated Myocardial Infarction (STEMI) Education and Training Program for thirty-four (34) Critical Access Hospital and Emergency Medical Services personnel and communities.

DCH presents this funding as a direct award in that Georgia Association of EMS meets the Federal requirements.

This award has two options for renewal through August 31, 2015.

## AWARD

| TOTAL DIRECT AWARD FUNDS AVAILABLE: $222,000.00 ($74,000 x 3yrs) |

TO SUBMIT INQUIRIES TO THIS DIRECT AWARD NOTIFICATION CONTACT

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