

Northwest Community EMS System

Budgeting for EMS-related Expenses – FY 14-15 Rev. 1-15

Program	Line items	Cost estimations	Billing cycle
In-station Continuing Education	Fixed administrative fee Covers the following: *Salary Portion of 2.5 FTE Benefits (24%) AV Expenses Minor equipment to support classes Books/office supplies Seminar tuition/travel for Resource Hospital In-station Educators Phone (IS-Coordinator) Sec. salary/benefits (0.33 FTE)	Total costs are shared equally by all System ALS Providers (24) FY14-15: \$4,252.00 Anticipate a 5% increase for FY15-16	In-station fiscal year runs 5/1 to 4/30. Chiefs review and approve all IS budgets Billed quarterly per chiefs' request
	Variable costs **Salary (Portion of 2.5 FTE) Benefits (24%) Printing Travel/mileage for NCH Educators Med-Surg supplies for classes	Billed as the per/visit cost FY 14-15 \$217/visit Anticipate a 3-5% increase for FY15-16	Quarterly
	Late post-test and/or practical exam testing	\$25 per C2 policy	
	Late submission of credit questions	\$25 per C2 policy	
EMT & Paramedic classes	<p>All entry level class tuitions are paid to Harper College and are based on the annual per credit cost.</p> <p>EMT students are assessed an additional lab and CPR course fees to help cover costs to the program in excess of tuition reimbursement to NCH from Harper College.</p> <p>All EMT and paramedic students must have a physical exam, show proof of selective disease immunization or immunity; a clean felony conviction record (\$20), and a negative TB test and drug screen to be permitted entry to the clinical units. TB and drug screening tests may be done on site at NCH or pre-employment results may be accepted based on letters of affirmation from the chief.</p> <p>Paramedic students must purchase a FISDAP software license to schedule clinical rotations and log all patient care contacts.</p> <p>Students are responsible for paying the cost of each National Registry exam attempt and the State licensure fee.</p> <p>Costs listed are for the Ntl Reg written exam. Will be determining costs of Ntl Registry practical exam.</p>	<p>Students affiliated with a NWC EMSS Provider are billed at the Harper in-district rate.</p> <p>EMT tuition: \$ 883.75 EMT lab fee payable in class: \$35 EMT CPR class fee if needed: \$60</p> <p><u>Paramedic tuition fall semester:</u> EMS 210 \$ 757.50 EMS 211 \$ 757.50 EMS 214 \$ 252.50</p> <p><u>PM tuition spring semester:</u> EMS 212 \$ 757.50 EMS 213 \$ 378.75 EMS 215 \$ 378.75 EMS 216 \$ 378.75</p> <p><u>Additional PM Harper fees:</u> EMS 210: 120.00 EMS 211: 125.00 EMS 212: 125.00 EMS 213: 125.00 EMS 214: 125.00 EMS 215: 1500.00 (preceptors) EMS 216: 25.00</p> <p>TB screen & drug test: Paramedic students: FISDAP license fee \$ 80, paid online</p> <p><u>EMT Ntl Reg test fee:</u> \$ 70 <u>PM Ntl Reg test fee:</u> \$110</p>	Harper requires payment at the beginning of the fall and spring semesters.

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ECRN/TNS fees	The ECRN tuition costs are set by the System. No state exam fee. The TNS tuition, testing and licensure fees are set by IDPH.	ECRN tuition: \$200 TNS tuition: \$325 TNS exam fee: \$ 25	
Licensure fees	Set by IDPH and payable on line for EMTs and paramedics passing the state exam. For all other initial licenses, the check must currently be mailed to IDPH.	EMD: \$30 EMR: \$55 EMT: \$45 Paramedic: \$60 PHRN: \$30 ECRN: \$55 TNS: \$50 Lead instr: \$40	
Relicensure, late, and reciprocity fees	Set by IDPH and payable on line	EMD: \$20 EMR: \$20 EMT: \$20 Paramedic: \$40 PHRN: \$20 ECRN: \$20 TNS: \$25 Lead instr: \$20 Late fee: \$50 Duplicate license: \$10 Reciprocity: \$50	
System entry	See System Entry policy (E-3)	\$ 75	Billed after file is opened
Electronic Medical Record (Image Trend) fees	Annual maintenance and hosting fee for each call uploaded to Image Trend webserver.	Currently: ~\$ 0.245 per run	Billed annually in January
	Annual fee for each Field Bridge license held per provider agency.	Currently \$225/license	Billed annually in January
	Hardware costs	Variable based on the device on which Field Bridge software is installed.	Agency-specific
NWC EMSS Website	Cost for maintenance is shared equally by all System members: hospitals and Provider Agencies.	Currently: \$40/provider-hospital/ year	Billed annually in January
IT support	Contract with Rick Nosek to provide "help-desk" support	Proposed to be on a fee for service basis to the customer. Need to discuss with chiefs first.	Variable based on agency use of his time
Reduced size SOPs	System contracts with outside vendor to print pocket SOPs. These are made available for purchase as an option only. Full-size copies are printed and distributed to System members at no cost.	2014 edition: \$4 each	

Key explanations

*All instructional materials, handouts, AV support, creation of the monthly calendar, and forms to support the program (evaluations etc) are prepared by the In-station Coordinator or an Educator in the NWC EMSS office. The salary expenses for these activities do not change if there was one visit or 100, thus fixed expense are divided equally by all agencies.

**This faculty cost is only for the NWC EMSS In-station Coordinator plus an additional 1.5 educators hired by the Resource Hospital to support the CE program. It does not cover the salaries of the EMSCs/educators from each System hospital who conduct a minimum of 7 classes per month (frequently more) at no cost to the program.

There are NO System membership fees, fees for sending letters of verification, performing ambulance inspections; or costs for preceptor classes as there are in some EMS Systems. Provider EMS Coordinator annual dues are not a System fee and are not billed by the System.