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Tom Quillin, Director
Leon County Health and Human Services
918 Railroad Avenue
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Dear Mr. Quillin:

This letter is to inform you of changes for the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) County Grant Program for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011. In the past, county grant awards have been based on previous fiscal year collections. Recently, revenues have declined significantly and this methodology is no longer a practical way to accurately determine the amount of funding available for distribution. In order to reconcile with available funds the county award will now be based on current year collections.

The disbursement of county grant funds will be paid in two separate payments. The first payment will be made based on fines collected from July 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010. We expect the grant application to be used in applying for grant funds collected during this timeframe will be available during the first week of January 2011, with an award date to follow in February or March 2011.

The second payment of county grant funds will be based on fines collected from January 1, 2011 through June 30, 2011. We anticipate grantees will be awarded funds for this timeframe in July or August 2011. Required documentation for the second payment will be determined at a later date.

Thank you for your cooperation and support in improving and expanding prehospital EMS. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Melia Jenkins at (850) 245-4440, extension *2773 or melia_jenkins@doh.state.fl.us.

Sincerely,

John C. Bixler, Paramedic, RN, BSN
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