



EMS Workforce Scholarship Application FAQ

1. Does the student need to be a US citizen to qualify for grant funds?

Yes.

2. Does the EMS agency need to apply on behalf of the student or does the student apply?

The scholarship funds will be distributed to Michigan EMS agencies and approved initial paramedic education institutions only. Representative institutions (EMS agencies and/or paramedic initial education programs) will need to complete and sign the application on behalf of the student.

3. Does my agency have to serve a rural census county to qualify for the scholarship?

No, all EMS agencies and initial paramedic education programs can apply. A higher score will be given to applicants serving rural census communities.

4. Does the student applying have to work in a rural census community?

No, all students can apply for the scholarship. A higher score will be given to applicants serving rural census communities.

5. I graduated from paramedic school 3 years ago and I am still paying on my student loans, do I qualify for track 1?

No, only those currently enrolled or those enrolled in an initial paramedic education program by September 30, 2024 qualify for track 1.

6. Can the student apply for the funding as the filing institution representative on the application?

No, the student cannot act as the fiduciary of the funds.

7. Is a student agreement template provided by MCRH for the filing representative institution?

No, the filing institution will create the terms of this student agreement, the design and terms of the agreement has been left to the institution to write.

8. How many scholarship awards will be given?

This is dependent on the applicants submitted and cannot be determined until all application requests have been reviewed.

9. If the student applicant is currently not employed with an EMS agency, do they qualify?

Yes, (for track 1) the filing representative institution can place "not currently employed" for the employer organization in the application field.



10. Can colleges and EMS agency employers work together in agreement to manage semester tuition payments for track 1?

Yes, please contact our office to learn more about what's required for the application.

11. Can I apply for track 1 to pay off my student loans?

No. Funds must go directly to an initial paramedic education program.

12. Can I apply for funds associated with student fees and books without the need for tuition for track 1?

Yes.

13. Can one application be submitted if applying for both track 1 and 2?

This depends. If the funds for track 1 and track 2 will be distributed to the same filing representative institution, yes. If the funds for track 1 and track 2 will not be distributed to the same filing institution then no, 2 applications must be filed. (Example: the tuition is going to a college offering initial paramedic education and the \$15/hr wage is going to ABC ambulance service. This requires 2 applications.) Why? To ensure both agencies are aware of application and are prepared to accept funding if awarded.

14. If I am college applying on a student's behalf and I do not have a tuition repayment requirement should the student drop or withdraw from the course, am I disqualified?

No. Please submit the student expectations the college does have in place.

15. If we accept funds from MCRH for track 1 or 2 and the student drops without exhausting the awarded funding, am I required to return the funds?

Yes. Please contact our office for more information.