



ON-LINE RURAL TRAINING INITIATIVE GRANT (ORTI)

Idaho Center for Excellence Healthcare Partnership project funded by the Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training (TAACCCT) Grant Program

PROGRAM OVERVIEW: The Idaho On-Line Rural Training Initiative (ORTI) is designed to provide students in rural or volunteer communities with affordable and flexible access to the didactic education, and clinical experience required to become an Idaho licensed Emergency Medical Services (EMS) provider.

PURPOSE: ORTI was developed specifically for students that wish to be licensed at the EMR, EMT and AEMT levels who may not otherwise have the time or resources to participate in a traditional EMS training program. The didactic (classroom) and on-line portions of the ORTI EMS course are being provided at no charge to the student or host agency.

DEADLINE: The Applications for the On-Line Rural Training Initiative (ORTI) Grant are available on our website under the Education link. The grant cycle will run through March 30, 2018. We will fund the coordination and execution of ORTI classes with the following dates:

ORTI cohort January 1, 2017 – June 30, 2017

ORTI cohort August 1, 2017 - December 31, 2017

ORTI cohort January 1, 2018 - March 30, 2018

ELIGIBILITY: Idaho rural EMS agencies who are at least 50% volunteer.

AWARD NOTIFICATION: Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Education Plan.

BOOKS/MATERIALS: Books and on-line study lab will be provided by the Bureau of EMS and Preparedness and the TAACCCT Award. The following resources will be provided:

*EMR – 10th Edition Emergency Medical Responder, First on Scene
My Brady Lab*

*EMT – 10th Edition Prehospital Emergency Care
My Brady Lab*

*EMT – 13th Edition Emergency Care
My Brady Lab*

*Advanced EMT – Second Edition Advanced EMT, A Clinical Approach
My Brady Lab*

PROGRAM DIRECTOR: Each Education Plan must list a “Program Director”. This individual may be the same as the “Primary Instructor”. Please refer to IDAPA Rule 16.01.05 – EMS Rules Governing Education,

Instructor and Exam Requirements, for the role of the Program Director. The Program Director is responsible for maintaining the National Registry account for the ORTI EMS Program and Course. IDAPA 16.01.05 - <https://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/16/0105.pdf>
NREMT - <https://www.nremt.org/rwd/public>

PRIMARY INSTRUCTOR / CO-INSTRUCTOR REQUIREMENTS: The Primary Instructor and Co-Instructor are required to possess a current Idaho Instructor Certification and have an updated Instructor Orientation. The Primary Instructor is required to teach at least 60% of the length of the ORTI EMS course. The Co-Instructor will teach no more than 40% of the length of the ORTI EMS course. The primary instructor and co-instructor are **ineligible** for reimbursement from students enrolled and/or other sources in the EMS ORTI course. The primary and co-instructor must meet the requirements of IDAPA Rule 16.01.05 – EMS Rules Governing Education, Instructor and Exam Requirements - <https://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/16/0105.pdf>

AGENCY/COURSE PROGRAM DATA: Any agency applying for additional ORTI course funding must have 70% course completion and testing prior to being approved for a future ORTI course. The Primary Instructor must report the student data to the Bureau within two (2) weeks of the course start date and include: All students enrolled including names and email addresses. Additionally, all students enrolled will be required to submit the Intake Sheet given to them by their Program Director. Data must be reported **two (2) weeks after** course completion submitted to the Bureau. Please return to Deborah.Surjan@dhw.idaho.gov . The following data is required and collected in the Student Data Spreadsheet:

- Student names enrolled
- students receiving course completion
- date of the psychomotor and cognitive exams
- date of student applying for Idaho licensure
- students obtaining paid employment
- students affiliating with a volunteer agency

SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS (SME), GUEST LECTURERS or ADJUNCT FACULTY: Up to a max of three (3) as stated above may be used. The above-named must be either a Registered Nurse (RN), Physician Assistant (PA), Respiratory Therapist (RT), Obstetrics Registered Nurse (OBRN), Certified Nurse Practitioner (CNP), Doctor of Medicine or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (MD, DO). All Subject Matter Experts must be included on the Education Plan and approved by the Course Physician based on their credentials, education and expertise.

STUDENTS: Student Contracts must be signed and submitted to the Bureau of EMS and Preparedness before class start date. All students are required to show course completion and make at least one (1) attempt to test to obtain Idaho licensure. Any participant withdrawing from any ORTI EMS course two (2) weeks after the course start date will be required to reimburse the Bureau of EMS and Preparedness the full cost of the books and materials, including on-line materials within 14 days of withdrawing from the course.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

1. The Bureau of EMS and Preparedness has the discretion to approve or deny grant applications.
2. As funds allow, a flat fee reimbursement will be awarded to Primary Instructors and/or Co-Instructors that are listed on the Education Plan submitted prior to the start of the course.
3. All ORTI Education Plan Applications must be complete and include the following:
 - a. Course outline including how competencies will be measured and how testing will be done.
 - b. All student Contracts returned to the Bureau of EMS and Preparedness.
 - c. Course physician approval and SME approvals and signature.
 - d. Name of Program Director and signature.
 - e. Name of Primary Instructor and/or co-instructor.
 - f. Signed Primary Instructor and/or Co-Instructor Contract(s).
 - g. All names of Subject Matter Experts (SME), up to three (3), with the following credentials to include, but not limited to include, RN, PA, RT, OBRN, CNP, MD.