



COMMITTEE ON RURAL AND REGIONAL PRACTICE

RURAL & REGIONAL EMERGENCY CARE CME APPLICATION FOR BENEFITS

Please type or print

Name _____

Social Insurance # _____

Address _____

Phone # (office) _____

Postal Code _____

Course for which reimbursement is requested:

ATLS _____ ACLS _____ PALS _____ ALARM _____

ALSO _____ NRP _____ AIME _____

Date of Course: _____ Location: _____

Please note: Courses not listed above may be eligible for reimbursement through the regular SMA CME Fund.

COST DETAILS:

Registration fees (copy of receipt required) \$ _____

Travel/accommodation * \$ _____

Total: \$ _____

*Travel/accommodation is reimbursed at the following rates:

- \$0 training obtained in the same community where the applicant resides
- \$100 training obtained within 100 km of the community where the applicant resides
- \$500 training obtained elsewhere in Saskatchewan
- \$1000 training obtained outside of Saskatchewan

Copies of proof of successful completion of the course and the receipt for payment must be included when submitting the application.

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

RETURN TO:
Committee on Rural and Regional Practice,
c/o SMA, 201 – 2174 Airport Drive, Saskatoon, SK S7L 6M6

RURAL & REGIONAL EMERGENCY CARE CME PROGRAM

The Rural & Regional Emergency Care CME Program is provided through an agreement between the Saskatchewan Medical Association and the Government of Saskatchewan.

PURPOSE: To provide funds to physicians in rural and regional practice, Family Medicine Bursary Recipients, and Rural Relief Program locum physicians for reimbursement of the cost of tuition and a portion of the travel and accommodation expenses associated with ACLS, PALS, ATLS, NRP, ALSO, ALARM, and AIME. The program will support physicians to certify and re-certify their skills in emergency care training and risk management. *On-line courses that do not include an in-person demonstration of the practical skills components do not qualify.*

Please note, tuition for courses other than ATLS, ACLS, PALS, ALARM, ALSO, NRP, and AIME may be eligible for reimbursement through the regular SMA Continuing Medical Education (CME) Fund.

FUNDING: Money received from the Rural & Regional Emergency Care CME fund must be declared as income for tax purposes. Physicians may continue to claim educational costs as allowed under current tax regulations; therefore, original receipts should be retained.

Employed physicians who are not eligible to claim education costs as expenses do not have to declare money received from this fund as income. Receipts sent in to document expenses will not be returned. Therefore, we suggest that you submit photocopies.

Eligible physicians may claim reimbursement for the cost of Canadian tuition as well as \$100 for expenses associated with travel and maintenance if the course is taken within 100 km of the applicant's home community, and \$500 if taken elsewhere in Saskatchewan (\$0 will be paid for training obtained in the same community where the applicant resides). For courses pursued outside of Saskatchewan, \$1000 for expenses may be claimed. Applications may be submitted for more than one course per year. Physicians are not able to concurrently claim funds from this program and the CME bank or other funding sources for the same educational experience.

Funds are provided only with respect to expenses already incurred for continuing medical education. Expenses must have been incurred since the beginning of the year for which money is available in order to be accepted.

ELIGIBILITY: Physicians must have licensure in the province of Saskatchewan and must have be practising in rural¹ or regional² Saskatchewan in order to apply to the fund. Physicians receiving monies from the fund will be expected to provide services in rural or regional Saskatchewan after completing the educational activity.

Physicians working for the SMA/CORRP Rural Relief Program are eligible to apply to the fund for courses attended after September 6, 2013.

FMR bursary recipients are eligible to apply to the fund for PALS, ATLS, and ALARM training during residency and for courses attended after March 8, 2014.

Exceptions to the above requirements may be considered by the Committee upon request and will be adjudicated on a case-by-case basis.

HOW TO APPLY: The completed application should be returned to the Saskatchewan Medical Association office at 201 – 2174 Airport Drive, Saskatoon, SK S7L 6M6. Applications should be submitted upon completion of the educational activity.

¹Rural is defined as having a population of approximately 10,000 or less, including Estevan and Weyburn.

² Regional communities include Prince Albert, Moose Jaw, Yorkton, Lloydminster, North Battleford, Swift Current.