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As of January 1st, 2007, there has been a change to the First Responder funding structure, as predicted that would happen. Funding is rarely increased, and this time is no different. There is a remarkable difference in the new distribution of funds, and below shows you what the OLD funding was and what the NEW funding will be:

Old Funding

Amount per First Responder	Amount per Call Responded to	Basic Grant
\$ 75.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 300.00

New Funding

Amount per First Responder	Amount per Call Responded to	Basic Grant
\$ 0	\$ 40.00	\$ 250.00

The coordinators will still receive a cheque in the mail in March or April, as per previous years. This may change things for groups that choose to pay themselves for each in-service, each call attended to, etc.

In the past, Spiritwood Ambulance Care (1994) Ltd., and other EMS services within the Prince Albert Parkland Health District were not compensated for any training, appreciation nights, or other costs that were incurred from the First Responder Program. With the change in funding, EMS services will now be compensated. There comes a number of new changes on how the management of the First Responders will occur, as a result of new EMS funding.

- 1) There will *no longer* be any Yearly Fees paid to Spiritwood-Big River Ambulance Care from the First Responder Groups.
- 2) Spiritwood Ambulance Care (1994) Ltd. *will* replenish any disposable emergency medical supplies that were used in the course of their duties. (ie. Oxygen mask, cling, 4x4, cold packs). A complete inclusive list will be compiled.
- 3) Lunch will now be provided on the day of the in-service at no cost to the First Responder.
- 4) No longer a cost for AED certification. With the new CPR guidelines, AED is now included with the CPR certification.
- 5) The Vital Aire account must still be maintained and oxygen paid by each First Responder Group.
- 6) A financial statement of group's expenses throughout the year is still required, as well as an official copy of the group's bank statement sent to Spiritwood Ambulance Care (1994) Ltd no later than April 30th of each year.

Management

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