



Safety Enhancement Grant & Scholarship Grant Programs Revised!

The Safety Enhancement Grant and Scholarship Grant Programs offer financial incentives to members of the MMA Workers Compensation Fund. Safety Enhancement Grants are used to purchase safety equipment or services that assist in reducing the frequency and severity of workplace injuries. The program matches the member's investment on a 2:1 ratio basis. Scholarship Grants enable members' employees to enhance their safety or risk management skills by attending safety workshops, risk management seminars or related training.

Program changes were needed to better distribute the grant and scholarship funds throughout the membership of the WC Fund. These changes will help maximize the use of funds for the most worthwhile endeavors, allow more members to receive funding and streamline the application process.

Key changes include:

- ★ A reduction in the number of Safety Enhancement Grant applications that may be submitted by a member in an application period (May and October) from three (3) to two (2). Maximum number per year reduced from six (6) to four (4).
- ★ A reduction in the annual limit of Safety Enhancement Grant Awards per member from \$6,000 to \$5,000.
- ★ The limit for individual scholarship awards has been reduced from three (3) awards in a calendar year to two (2) awards.
- ★ Minimum grant levels have been set at \$200 of total project costs for Enhancement Grants and \$50 for Scholarship Grants.

These changes are now in effect for the May and October 2007 Safety Enhancement Grants and for the Safety Scholarship grants.

The revised applications, instructions and FAQ information is available on the MMA Risk Management Services Website @ <http://www.memun.org/rms/lc/grant.htm> Information and applications can also be obtained by contacting your assigned Loss Control Consultant, Deb Balmer (dbalmer@memun.org), Ed MacDonald (emacdonald@memun.org), or by calling 1-800-590-5583.

