



City of Grass Valley
City Council
Agenda Action Sheet

Title: Travel for training course to establish a Designated Infection Control Officer (DICO).

CEQA: Not a Project

Recommendation: That Council approve the out-of-state travel for the EMS Supervisor to attend a required course establishing a Designated Infection Control Officer for the Fire and Police Departments.

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Council Meeting Date: 08/26/2025

Date Prepared: 08/12/2025

Agenda: Consent

Background Information: The Ryan White Law states that each fire, EMS and law enforcement agency must have a designated officer to manage exposure issues for the department. This 2-day course is designed to prepare the Infection Control Officer to fully meet the requirements for this position established under NFPA 1581, OSHA, and the Ryan White Law. Understanding this role and the many aspects of this job is important to assist with department risk management and department member advocacy. The training program will lay out the various laws and regulations that must be taken into account to establish a comprehensive program.

In addition, participants will learn the core regulations that must be taken into account to establish a comprehensive program, and participants will learn the core components of an effective post-exposure management program. The roles and responsibilities along with a job description are presented. Step-by-step program formulation is presented to enable the course participant to return to his/her workplace and set up a working program. A well trained designated officer will be an effective advocate for both the members of the departments as well as the administration.

Unfortunately, no in-person DICO classes are currently scheduled in California, requiring travel out of state to attend. While the DICO course is available online, the virtual format is far less valuable than the in-person environment, which offers greater opportunities for networking and interactive learning.

Council Goals/Objectives: Exceptional Public Safety consistent with the City of Grass Valley Strategic Plan

Fiscal Impact: Funds are available within established training budget (\$750)

Funds Available: Yes **Account #:** Training **Reviewed by:** City Manager