

This a communication to public safety answering points from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security and the State 911 Department (Department) regarding the FY 2020 Support and Incentive Grant, and the sharing of critical information with first responders.

With respect to the FY 2020 Support and Incentive Grant, the Department recommends that PSAPs with non-salary costs funded under the FY 2020 Support and Incentive Grant program reach out to its vendors to determine whether the vendor can fulfill the PSAP's request by June 30, 2020. To the extent the vendor cannot meet its obligation by June 30, 2020, it is recommended that PSAPs request an extension of the FY 2020 Support and Incentive Grant of up to 90 days beyond June 30th for these non-salary costs. An authorized signatory under the grant should e-mail a request for an extension to Cindy Reynolds at 911Deptgrants@mass.gov. Where possible, said request should contain correspondence from the vendor indicating their inability to meet the June 30, 2020 deadline.

With respect to sharing of critical information with first responders, the Department asks that you report back to us on the status of the disclosure by your local board of health of the addresses of persons living in your jurisdiction who have tested positive for COVID-19.

In addition, as previously communicated to you, the Department strongly recommends that you share with your Alternate and your limited secondary PSAP or ringing secondary PSAP, if applicable, the addresses of persons that have been tested positive for COVID-19 provided to you by your local board of health.

Finally, for your information, I would like to point you to the Information on COVID-19 page on the Department's website that contains the communications we have been sending to you. The cite for that page is <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/information-on-covid-19>.