CREATE
Colorado Resource for Emergency And Trauma Education

The CREATE program is managed by the Colorado Rural Health Center and funded by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.
To assist private and public organizations in improving and expanding the emergency medical trauma systems in Colorado

Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Emergency Medical and Trauma Services Section with Colorado Rural Health Center
key dates

Initial program development April-June 2010
Launched July 1, 2010
First grants awarded July 15, 2010
Committee meets and awards twice a month
Grant year begins each year July 1

program description

Provides education grants for EMTS providers
Local, regional and statewide trainings
Five categories:
- EMT thru Paramedic
- Trauma/Facility/Physician
- Continuing Education
- Educator Courses
- Conferences
method

budget

pre-application process → access application online

awards decided by ERC

complete training/education

submit final report → receive reimbursement

$291,000 grant funds disbursed FY 11
$416,000 grant funds budgeted for FY 12
### Overall Project Numbers

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<td>Applications Started</td>
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<td>Applications approved</td>
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<td>Courses funded</td>
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### Student Data Summary

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<td>Other</td>
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challenges

Knowing when to apply
Sufficient application details
Fulfilling eligibility requirements
Marketing a new program

lessons learned

Streamline process for repeat applicants
Make application dates/deadlines clear
 Expedite reimbursement process
Provide well-defined guidance materials
Add staff
Update standard course list
Update guidance
Update application materials
Distribute year-end report
Increase outreach efforts
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