

ELIGIBILITY AS VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE SERVICES TO PARTICIPATE IN OGS CENTRALIZED CONTRACTING PROGRAM

Sections 100 and 104 of the General Municipal Law, as amended, allow certain New York **voluntary ambulance services** to make purchases through the State's Office of General Services. For your information, these laws provide as follows:

100. Definitions. (3) "Voluntary ambulance service" means a voluntary ambulance service as defined in article thirty of the public health law and possessing a valid statement of registration or possessing a valid ambulance service certificate pursuant to article thirty of the public health law.

104. Purchases through office of general services. Notwithstanding the provisions of section one hundred three of this chapter or of any other general, special or local law, any officer, board or agency of a ... voluntary ambulance service authorized to make purchases of materials, equipment, food products or supplies, or services available pursuant to section one hundred sixty-one of the state finance law, may make such purchases, except of printed material, through the office of general services subject to such rules as may be established from time to time pursuant to section one hundred sixty-three of the state finance law or through the general services administration pursuant to section 1555 of the federal acquisition streamlining act of 1994, P.L. 103-355; provided that any such purchase shall exceed five hundred dollars and that the ...voluntary ambulance service for which such officer, board or agency acts shall accept sole responsibility for any payment due the vendor. All purchases shall be subject to audit and inspection by the ...voluntary ambulance service for which made. No officer, board or agency of avoluntary ambulance service shall make any purchase through such office when bids have been received for such purchase ... unless such purchase may be made upon the same terms, conditions and specifications at a lower price through such office. Two or more ... voluntary ambulance services may join in making purchases pursuant to this section, and for the purposes of this section such groups shall be deemed "...voluntary ambulance services."

Qualifying entities interested in participating in this program must submit the required Certification of Qualification form together with their mailing list application.