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To: Chief Instructors
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From: Nick Bugeja – Manager, Training Services
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Subject: Award Fees

Action: Raise awards and budget for award fees accordingly

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Raising Awards / Units of Competence
The new Advanced Resuscitation Techniques (ART) course contains the Unit of Competence Apply Advanced Resuscitation Techniques (HLTFA404A). In order to issue this unit to a member, the member must hold either:

1 - Perform CPR (HLTCPR201A); OR
2 - Provide Basic Emergency Life Support (HLTFA201A); OR
3 - Apply First Aid (HLTFA301B).

For many members who do not hold these units but do have a Bronze Medallion they can be issued Perform CPR (HLTFA201A) prior to the start of an ART course if they successfully complete 5 short questions.

The 2009-2010 Bronze Medallion resources have also been mapped to Perform CPR (HLTFA201A) and clubs can choose to have this unit issued to all successful Bronze Medallion candidates.

Clubs should note that when raising the Unit of Competence Perform CPR (HLTCPR201A) for members they will be charged an award processing fee, as each member requires a Statement of Attainment to acknowledge this unit of competence.

Award Fees
Life Saving Victoria delivers value for money service to its clubs as exemplified by award fees which have not increased for over three seasons. During this time the expenses incurred in processing awards have increased. Life Saving Victoria cannot continue to absorb these cost increases indefinitely. An award fee increase will take place prior to the 2010-2011 season.

As soon as a new fee structure and prices have been finalised in consultation with the Directors they will be communicated to clubs to allow for appropriate budgeting.