

Recommendation for housekeeping

Currently reads:

Section 71A. OES ACTS Committee shall consider all qualified applications for an “Orthodontic Assistance Grant”. The amount of each grant shall be determined by the committee based on the amount necessary to sponsor a qualified child to receive orthodontic treatment. Supplemental grants for an individual applicant may be authorized by the committee in cases of extreme emergency or extraordinary financial hardship. All grant monies shall be paid directly to the treatment provider or as otherwise determined by the committee in three (3) annual installments. At least 50% but no more than 75% of the total balance in the OES ACTS Fund from the previous fiscal year, less all funds previously allocated for grants, shall be designated by the committee for Orthodontic Assistance Grants. Remaining funds not awarded shall revert back to the OES ACTS Fund to draw interest and will be added to the following years’ OES ACTS Funds. In the event a grant recipient fails to complete treatment or otherwise fails to comply with the terms and/or conditions of her or his treatment, all unpaid installments designated for that child shall be forfeited and shall revert back to the OES ACTS Fund.

a. Purpose: To assist needy children in obtaining orthodontic care and treatment.

b. Eligibility: Applicant must be the parent or legal guardian of the child for whom the orthodontic treatment is requested. The child must be a resident of the state of South Dakota and must be under the age of 18 at the time of the application. Applicant must meet the financial qualifications determined by the committee and must demonstrate the child’s need for orthodontic care and treatment.

c. Application: The applicant shall submit a completed application form, which may be obtained from the South Dakota Dental Association or by contacting any South Dakota Eastern Star Member.

d. Only one (1) Orthodontic Assistance Grant may be awarded per child.

e. The Committee shall meet at least quarterly to review applications and select qualified applicants. The Grand Secretary shall then be notified of the selections and the address of the payee so warrants can be issued.

f. The Chairperson of the Committee shall be responsible for keeping a permanent record of all Orthodontic Assistance Grants awarded and give a full report at each annual meeting of Grand Chapter. The Chairperson shall keep and submit an accurate accounting to the Board of Grand Trustees.

Changed to read:

Section 71A. OES ACTS Committee Board shall consider all qualified applications for an “Orthodontic Assistance Grant”. The amount of each grant shall be determined by the ~~committee~~ Board based on the amount necessary to sponsor a qualified child to receive orthodontic treatment. Supplemental grants for an individual applicant may be authorized

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Reason: When ACTS became a 501 (c) (3) they became a Board.

Jurisprudence Committee

Chairman