



**EMS for Children Advisory Committee Meeting  
 July 22, 2021  
 DHEC (Virtual)  
 Columbia, SC 29201**

Topic	Discussion	Recommendations/Actions
Welcome	Dr. Kevin Polley opened the meeting.	None
Freedom of Information Act	Mrs. Connie Thompson read the Freedom of Information Act.	None
Approval of Meeting Minutes	Dr. Kevin Polley approved the minutes from January.	None
12th Annual Pediatric Trauma Symposium	Madeline Gehrig told the group that preparations for the date and location of the symposium is still being worked out. It will be a hybrid symposium with both in-person and virtual options.	A Save the Date will be sent out as soon as details are finalized

<p>TASC Pediatric Trauma Sub-committee</p>	<p>Mandy Felder informed the group that the sub-committee has been working on an infographic for dog bites. It will be easily printed and sharable.</p>	<p>The infographic will be sent out once it is finalized.</p>
<p>Pediatric DNR Bill Update</p>	<p>Maggie Cash updated the group on the bill made it out of the Senate. The new language of the bill was approved and is expected to go to the House of Representatives during the next session in January.</p> <p>Rich Wisniewski said one of the challenges will be education for EMS providers once the bill is approved.</p>	<p>Maggie will send talking points out the group for advocacy.</p> <p>Rich asked that the EMSC Advisory Committee help with education and information for EMS providers.</p>
<p>DHEC Updates</p>	<p>Rich Wisniewski spoke on Regulation 61-7 revision. The regulation NPR will be presented in early August and if approved by the DHEC Board will go to a public comment period for 30 days.</p> <p>Rich said positions within the internal office has shifted. The Training and Compliance and Certification divisions will be separate. The Training and Compliance manager position was posted and as has closed. Jessica Schmittle has</p>	<p>Information on the public comment period will be sent out. All committees and council are encouraged to review the revision and make recommendations.</p> <p>Any EMS certification questions should be directed to Rayshaun Williams. Any EMS training questions should be directed to Tim Martin.</p>

	<p>resigned from her position as the Certification manager.</p> <p>Rich said the division has been advised that DHEC employees not draft minutes for committee and council meetings. This will help ensure that there is no conflict between the agency and the committees/councils.</p> <p>Rich continued his update saying that John Thivierge is still serving in the Interim EMS Section Manager role and Karen Moore is still serving in the Interim Trauma Manager role. Both positions have been posted and interviews will be in the next couple of weeks.</p>	<p>Dr. Polley asked if anyone would be willing to serve in the secretary role for the committee.</p> <p>The Division will let everyone know when these positions have been filled.</p>
EMSC Updates	<p>Karen Moore presented that the National Pediatric Readiness survey is still active. She said that currently, the South Carolina response rate was lower than the national average. She that the group reach out to their emergency department managers and find out if they have completed the survey or if they have any question. The group suggested reaching out to ACEP for help.</p> <p>Karen also presented that the EMSC logo is changing. This is a national effort to create more unity between EMSC programs. She showed the group the new</p>	<p>Karen will reach out to ACEP for contacts to complete the survey.</p> <p>Karen will update the group on the timeline for the logo changes.</p>

	<p>bear and said implementation will be in the next year.</p> <p>Karen spoke about the national PECC Workforce Collaborative that will begin in September. She has joined as the EMSC program coordinator and encourage anyone interested in joining as well. There will be monthly webinars and additional work group meetings required.</p> <p>Karen spoke to the group about the idea to begin offering monthly pediatric training sessions for hospital and pre-hospital professionals. CME and CEUs would be available during these sessions and trainings would be recorded and kept on the EMS for Children website. The EMSC Advisory group will approve training topics and specific topics that need to be covered.</p>	<p>Anyone interested in joining the collaborative should reach out to Karen.</p> <p>Karen will work with a CME office for credit hours. The committee will plan to discuss possible topics at the October meeting.</p>
<p>Pediatric Spinal Mobile Restriction</p>	<p>Mandy Felder spoke to the group about the possible need of a spinal motion restriction protocol for pediatrics or updating the current protocol to include pediatric patients. The EMSC committee recommended that children should have properly sized spinal mobile restriction for high-risk mechanisms of injury.</p>	<p>The group voted to create a working group to work on a SMR protocol or updates to the adult SMR protocol.</p>

	<p>There was a brief discussion about implementing a project to focus on infant sized cervical collars.</p>	<p>Karen will work with the TASC Pediatric Subcommittee on the cervical collar project.</p>
<p>Adjourn</p>	<p>Dr. Polley adjourned the meeting. The next meeting will be virtual October 28, 2021.</p>	<p>None.</p>