

## EMS for Children Advisory Committee Meeting October 28, 2021 DHEC (Virtual) Columbia, SC 29201

Topic	Discussion	Recommendations/Actions
Welcome	Dr. Kevin Polley opened the meeting.	None
Freedom of Information Act	Mrs. Karen Moore read the Freedom of Information Act.	None
Approval of Meeting Minutes	Dr. Kevin Polley approved the minutes from October.	None
12th Annual Pediatric Trauma Symposium	Madeline Gehrig informed the group that plans move forward to host the hybrid symposium. The majority of speakers and topic have been determined. Pending is transfer of payment to the CME office. This is pending a TASC vote due to the cost being higher than previous years. Last TASC meeting was cancelled, will seek to	

	resolve quickly to finalize brochure and start early bird registration process.  Targeting end of November.	
TASC Pediatric Trauma Sub-committee	Group discussed progress in pediatric c-collar initiative with EMS agencies. A workgroup found there to be inconsistencies amongst EMS agencies and use/sizes of pediatric cervical collars. A survey went out to EMS across the state with 28 responses finding an array of collars in use by EMS. Clarification is needed if these responses are from multiple different agencies or multiple responses from particular agencies. Potential for swap out project discussed. Challenges exists with non-PTC that do not stock pediatric collars. Karen Moore states that there is opportunity for funding from the state to support this project. PTCs to pull data speaking to volume of patients with c-spine immobilization utilization and indications. EMS data at state level to be examined. More exploration needed pertaining to ACS guidelines and APA recommendations.	Madeline to drill down on agency responses.

Peds Ready EMS Agency Recognition	Karen Moore officially recognizes Dorchester County EMS as a Peds Ready agency after September visit. There are now Peds Ready agencies in each region of the state.	
DHEC Updates	Leadership updates provided to the group.  Rich Wisniewski: State EMS and Trauma Director  Karen Moore: Manager Systems of Emergent Care  Tim Martin: Manager of EMS Training and Compliance  John Thivierge: EMS Section Manager  Victor Grimes: EMS and Trauma Data Manager  The position of EMS-C Program Manager is open and will be posted. Karen Moore thanked the group for their support during her tenure as the program manager.	

	EMS Regulation 61-7 is drafted and going to state board on November 10. Oral comments are open for those who plan to attend. Masks are recommended.  Karen spoke about the national PECC Workforce Collaborative. The group of pediatric emergency care coordinators are developing goals and objectives.	
EMSC Updates	Karen spoke to the group about the 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. This has been approved by DHEC. Timeline and frequency has yet to be determined. Realistic goal to begin January 2022.	Subcommittee to be formed to identify speakers and topics.
Pediatric Spinal Mobile Restriction	Separate working group addressing Pediatric Spinal Immobilization. Adult protocol adopted with variations specific to pediatric population. Protocol presented to the group. Recommendation made to add * Injuries not consistent with MOI* to Concern for NAT portion of algorithm. Recommendation accepted and motion was	Present protocol to TAC and EMS Advisory Council.

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Adjourn	Dr. Polley adjourned the meeting.  The next meeting will be January 27, 2022. The meeting may be offered in face to face setting. Virtual attendance will continue to be an option	None.