



EMS for Children Advisory Committee Meeting
October 22, 2020
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.	None
11 th Annual Pediatric Trauma Symposium	Mr. Mike Walls said the 11 th annual Pediatric Trauma Symposium is scheduled for March 5, 2021 at the Greenville One Center. There will be virtual and in-person options to attend. Registration will begin in December and will be \$50.00 for in-person attendees and \$25 for virtual attendees \$25.00 and will include lunch. Satellite viewing sites will be available at MUSC,	Mrs. Thompson will send out a save-the-date flyer.

	Grand Strand and Prisma Health Midlands. Topics will include: Gangs, TBI, Non-Accidental Trauma, EMS, Firearm injuries and Burns.	
TASC Pediatric Trauma Sub-committee	<p>Mrs. Laura Strickland said the TASC pediatric subcommittee has been working on recommendations for pediatric trauma activation and transfer criteria for non-trauma centers. The first draft was recently brought to TASC and the group met this morning to make changes based on feedback from TASC.</p> <p>Additionally, the subcommittee has also drafted position statements on family unification and pediatric imaging.</p>	None
<p>Pediatric Ready ED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advanced and Comprehensive Levels 	Mrs. Moore said that the Peds Ready ED working group had completed the draft of the advanced and comprehensive levels of recognition. She presented the draft to the Advisory Council and asked for approval.	<i>The EMS for Children Committee voted to approve the draft.</i>
SC Critical Care Protocols Update	<p>Mrs. Jessica Schmittle presented the proposal for the Critical Care Endorsement.</p> <p>Discussion followed.</p>	Contact Jessica Schmittle with any questions or concerns on the Critical Care Endorsement.

	Mrs. Schmittle will continue to update the group.	
<p>DHEC Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMS Regulation Revision • COVID19 Response 	<p>Mr. Wronski gave an update on the EMS and Athletic Trainer regulations. The Athletic Trainer regulation is currently open for comments and is expected to be finalized in December. The EMS regulation has been delayed but will be moving forward in the upcoming months. Mr. Wronski also said that the Midwives regulation is in the revision process.</p> <p>Mr. Wronski said he is working in Public Health Preparedness at DHEC with the Covid19 response and Mr. Wisniewski is handling the day to day of EMS/Trauma.</p> <p>Mr. Wisniewski said he has visited each trauma center. He said one concern is that some agencies are not following pediatric trauma transport protocol. He said that the trauma division is pulling data and looking at these calls and will involve the compliance department when necessary. He also mentioned that during the visits he found that radiological scans were greatly reduced due to the TASC Pediatric Imaging Statement. Additionally, Mr. Wisniewski asked that hospitals communicate with EMS if diversion is needed.</p>	Mrs. Moore will update the committee on DHEC concerns.

	<p>Mr. Rob Wronski said there is an opening for a Regional Medical Director in the Upstate.</p>	
EMSC Updates	<p>Mrs. Moore said that EMSC will begin accepting applications for Peds Ready EMS on November 1.</p> <p>Mrs. Moore said the EMSC program would begin an assessment of the state 911 responding agencies in January. She asked that any questions about the assessment be sent to her. She also said that the EMSC program is preparing for the upcoming Peds Ready ED assessment during the summer of 2021.</p> <p>Mrs. Moore was elected Vice- Chair for the National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO) Pediatric Emergency Care Council. This is a six-year commitment.</p>	<p>None.</p> <p>Mrs. Moore will send out more information in the next couple of weeks as the EMSC program prepares for the EMS assessment.</p> <p>Mrs. Moore will update the committee on council concerns and initiatives.</p>
Open Discussion	<p>Dr. Polley thanked everyone for attending the meeting. Dr. Polley and Mrs. Moore suggested the meetings continue to be held in the MS Teams format.</p> <p>Mrs. Jacqueline Stoller said she has a draft of the EMS communication cards and will work with Mrs. Moore to get them finalized and printed.</p>	None

Adjourn	Dr. Polley adjourned the meeting. The next meeting will be held January 28, 2021.	None
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