



Florida Emergency Medical Services for Children Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Partnering with EDs, EMS agencies, disaster preparedness organizations, and families in the care of ill and injured children to enhance pediatric readiness across the continuum of care

Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino Hollywood, Florida
 Room Terrace A or Virtual via TEAMS
 Thursday, June 13th, 2024 from 1:30-3:30 pm EST

Attendees

Program Staff	Appointed Members	Liaisons	DOH BEMO
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Megan Curtis-Gonzalez • Dr. Phyllis Hendry • Katelyn Perl 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barbara Tripp • Dr. Marshall Frank • Dr. Tricia Swan • Nichole Shimko • Sandra Nasca 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ernest Weishaupt • Julie Downey • Lauren Young Work • Lisa Nichols • Rebecca Brownfield • Tracey Vause 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jane Bedford • Mike Hall • Brenda Clotfelter • Luis Dominguez
Other			
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Meeting Summary (see presentation slides and agenda):

Welcome

- Attendees signed in by completing the sign in sheet, emailing pedready@jax.ufl.edu with contact information, or writing their name and affiliation in the TEAMS chat

Florida Emergency Medical Services for Children Advisory Committee

- Reviewed Florida EMSC mission statement
- Attendees made brief introductions
- Reviewed and discussed appointed positions ending in August 2024. The appointment process will involve an open application with the Florida Department of Health (DOH) Bureau of Emergency Medical Oversight (BEMO). Please consider your interest in (re)applying. Hoping to have new appointments complete by the next EMS Advisory Council meeting in October 2024.
- Introduced *new* liaisons:
 - Rural Hospital/ED: Dakota Redd, Chief Nursing Officer, Hendry Regional Medical Center
 - Family Advisory Network Representatives: Billie Jo Burr (North Florida) and Krystal McNeil, BSN, RN, RN-BC, CCRN (North Central Florida). Billie Jo Burr briefly introduced herself to the EMSCAC. Florida EMSC hopes to establish a statewide Florida Family Advisory Network. A more formal introduction for new liaisons will be made at the next EMSCAC meeting in October 2024 (**action item**).
- Reviewed Florida EMSC Program Staff

Bureau of Emergency Medical Oversight (BEMO) Updates

- [Nominations are now open for State EMS Awards](#). There is a new quality improvement award. The deadline to submit is Sunday, June 30th, 2024. Email EMS@flhealth.gov with any questions.
- The next EMS Advisory Council meetings are October 29th-31st in Bonita Springs, Florida. There will be an awards ceremony.
- Florida Resuscitation Centers of Excellence are starting at different hospitals
- There is a new focus on perinatal care and postpartum emergencies
- Jane Bedford is the new Mobile Integrated Health (MIH) Administrator
- Michael Leffler is now the Deputy Bureau Chief
- During the Medical Care Committee Meeting, it was shared that Dr. Patty Byers is working with rural counties on law enforcement being able to issue select trauma alerts

Florida Perinatal Quality Collaborative (FPQC)

- The FPQC is a consortium of professionals dedicated to the advancement of perinatal health care. The FPQC is housed in the Chiles Center at the University of Florida College of Public Health. See the FPQC's "Preventing Maternal Mortality– Training for Hospital Emergency Departments" Webinar [slides](#) and [recording](#). For additional resources, visit [here](#). The FPQC Postpartum Conditions Management Guide for Emergency Rooms is available [here](#).

Liaison and Constituency Group Reports

- **Pediatric and Neonatal Transport Network Association:** Shimko
 - The FNPTNA Education Series [Oh Mama](#) and [Oh Baby](#) recordings are now available
 - Reviewed updated data from STARS
 - Florida Perinatal Quality Collaborative (FPQC): A new state statute requires participation by maternity units in at least two FPQC initiatives. The Postpartum Access and Continuity of Care (PACC) Initiative addresses post-partum complications. Hospitals are encouraged to display a poster and flyer in visible areas and locations that includes an educational poster for the ED

Team, reminder to ask about pregnancy in the last year, provides a postpartum condition checklist, and provides QR code links to brief care education and management guidelines. There is opportunity for MIH to be involved with this initiative. Discussed the importance of asking the question, “have you been pregnant in the past year?” FPQC recommends to ask this question for women ages 15-45 years but also to use your best judgement.

- Reviewed maternal death data by county (Lee, Collier, Charlotte, DeSoto, Hendry, Glades) and distribution of pregnancy-related causes of death in Florida
- Discussed postpartum hypertension/pre-eclampsia symptoms, data, and how to increase awareness. Patients are now given a teal bracelet at the first sign of hypertension according to the ACOG recommendations. Listen to Lindsay’s story [here](#).
- Comment: Keep in mind that there should be different sized bracelets to meet everyone’s needs. Other coalitions are using gray bracelets.
- **Family Advisory Network (FAN):** Nasca, Brownfield, others
 - Shared [FAN recruitment flyer](#). If you are interested in becoming a FAN or know someone who may be, email pedready@jax.ufl.edu. The goal is to have one FAN/region.
 - A [medical ID bracelet brochure](#) is available for download, which includes a 20% discount code. Feel free to share the resource with your ED or agency. Learn more [here](#).
 - Nasca: Florida EMSC is searching for FAN Representatives in South Florida. Please reach out to pedready@jax.ufl.edu and lnasca@aol.com, if interested in becoming a FAN Representative. On the National level, she has been asked to be faculty on a new ECHO series with the EIIC and AAP. Sandy was invited to attend the National Pediatric Pandemic Network (PPN) Meeting in August 2024 as a FAN representative.
- **Disaster Preparedness:** Downey and Hendry
 - 15 til’ 50 Program Update: There were recent exercises held at John Hopkins All Children’s Hospital and Baptist South. There is more information available on the Florida EMSC website [here](#). A pediatric version of the program is coming soon.
 - NFPA 3000 active shooter/hostile event response update: 2024 Edition is now available, several terminology changes in the edition, the “family assistance center” changed to the “incident assistance center;” “reunification” is now under the notification center, also discussed the new timeline benchmarks coming out as a guideline.
 - The Statewide Infectious Disease Transport Network held an annual exercise in April 2024
 - The State Ambulance Deployment Plan is being revised. Non-governmental agencies have to register ahead of time if they want to respond to a disaster. For governmental agencies, the statewide mutual aid plan that has to be signed by July 1st, 2024.
 - Pulsara is now starting to be used for patient tracking.
 - Encouraged everyone to join their local health care coalition, involve pediatrics in your disaster plan, and anytime you do a CPR class, you should be doing a Stop the Bleed class
 - New Disaster Response Collaborative: aims to improve pediatric disaster response capability and capacity among children’s hospitals. Check out the [recording](#) and [slides](#) from the Disaster Response Collaborative launch webinar held on March 18th, 2024. Each team leader for a children’s hospital may register a team of two or more participants. Only one registration per hospital is needed. Learn more and register [today](#).
 - Ready. Prep. Go! is a new podcast hosted by the Pediatric Pandemic Network (PPN). The podcast features conversations with emergency, disaster, and preparedness subject matter experts and those on the frontlines. New episodes drop every other Tuesday. A recent episode titled, “[Everything Must Go \(Part 1\)](#),” features Dr. Phyllis Hendry. “[Everything Must Go \(Part 2\)](#),” featuring Niki Shimko is now available.
 - PPN Gulf 7 Pediatric Disaster Network is committed to ensuring that every family in their region can access medical care for kids during a disaster, regardless of their ability to pay. G7 is comprised of 7 children’s hospitals and universities providing comprehensive care and

training to address gaps in the disaster cycle spectrum of mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery. The Pediatric Disaster Centers of Excellence launched a new joint [website](#) and [social media](#). Dr. Hendry plans to reach out to G7 site at University of Miami to see if a representative can speak at the next EMSCAC meeting (**action item**).

- There is a [new Pediatric Clinics Issue](#) focused on pediatric disaster preparedness
- For more information about Disasters in Seconds, visit [here](#). Florida EMSC has a Disasters in Seconds kit that individuals located in North Florida can borrow. If interested, email pedready@jax.ufl.edu. Check with your local health care coalition to see if they have a kit you can borrow.
- ReadyWrigley hurricane preparedness educational coloring books are now available upon request. The books are an interactive tool for children to learn about disaster preparedness. They are available in English and Spanish. To request copies, email pedready@jax.ufl.edu.

- **Mental Health: Work**

- May was Mental Health Awareness Month. Check out these resources that were shared: [Emotional Well-Being](#) (Sesame Workshop), [Teen Mental Health: How to Know When Your Child Needs Help](#) (Healthy Children), [Children's Mental Health Resources](#) (Florida Department of Children and Families), and [Digital Shareables on Child and Adolescent Mental Health](#) (NIMH).
- Work: Discussed creating access points to 211 and 988 for children, teens, and families. There are specialized teen help lines as a part of 211. Connect children, teens, and families to emotional support, resources, and crisis intervention during 911 calls and ED visits can not only help patients today, but reduce the risk of future mental health, substance/alcohol use, and social determinant of health issues too. Remember to call your local 211 agency to partner or get handouts, create your own handouts, and/or ask your local DOH if there are funds to assist you in creating a handout. Handout ideas include: QR codes, 211 and 988 cards, pens and pencils, fidget spinners, squeeze balls, frisbee, bracelets, and notebooks. If you need assistance connecting with your 211, contact Lauren Young Work at LDYoung@pbc.gov. Check out these helpful links: www.211.org, <https://211palmbeach.org/help-me-grow>, <https://211tampabay.org/need-help/youth-young-adults/>, and <https://988lifeline.org/help-yourself/youth>. In Florida, the 211 system is 988, meaning 211 centers are answering the 988 calls, which is unique compared to other states.

- **Florida Emergency Nurses Association: Blake**

- Developed a pilot group of volunteers to work with ImPACTS and Texas Pediatric Readiness Project to prepare Florida hospitals in becoming pediatric ready.
- Disseminated Florida EMSC Medical ID Bracelet Brochures to FENA local chapters and shared on the website and on social media
- South West ENA Chapter presented "Surviving the Sunshine" in April 2024
- Palm Beach County ENA Chapter "Emergency Topics in the Tropics" Conference in August 2024. Seven CEs are being offered for either in person (\$50) or virtual options (\$35). There are limited number of in-person seats.
- A Florida ENA Scholarship is available for first responders seeking nursing degrees. Eligibility criteria include: any first responder admitted to a School of Nursing and/or currently enrolled in a School of Nursing in order to pursue a higher level of education in the emergency setting; and certified EMTs, Paramedics, Firefighters, and Law Enforcement Officers who have a Student Membership of ENA and/or Affiliate ENA membership and be in at least the second semester of core nursing courses/classes from the application date. Two awards are rewarded annually and the deadline for submission is September 30th of the current year. The amount of award is \$500/applicant. To view the application, visit <https://connect.ena.org/fl/home> under "resources."
- Offered scholarship to members to attend FTFC and GOE

- The next Florida ENA meeting on July 19th, 2024 in Jacksonville. The date was later corrected to July 19th by Michael Rushing.
- **Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinators/Champions:** Weishaupt, Rabish
 - A Florida [prehospital PECC flyer](#) is available that provides an overview of the role and responsibilities of a prehospital PECC. If you are interested in becoming a prehospital PECC or know someone who may be, email pedready@jax.ufl.edu. To learn more about the Prehospital PECC role, visit the Florida EMSC website [here](#).
 - An [ED PECC flyer](#) is also available. If you are interested in becoming an ED PECC or know someone who may be, email pedready@jax.ufl.edu. To learn more about the ED PECC role, visit the Florida EMSC website [here](#).
 - Weishaupt: Shared several pediatric EMS events hosted in Orlando, involving the presentation of the City of Deltona Life Saving Award, Mock Trauma Alert, Life Flow Set Up Whole Blood, Mock Trauma Debrief, Mock Trauma in Seminole County, Orlando Health Reunion Village, and Orlando Health Four Corners
- **Rural:** Vause, Bedford, Redd
 - Vause: Chief Vause is the chair of his local health care coalition. He is trying to implement pediatric care/readiness at the top of the list when it comes to preparedness. He hopes to create a survey for health care facilities to better understand what they need in terms of training, equipment, culture improvement, etc.
- **Data Committee and Biospatial:** No updates
- **Community Paramedicine/Mobile Integrated Health/Health-Access-Resiliency and Telehealth:** Bedford, Work
 - Bedford: Administered a survey to MIH programs and asked how many were interacting with maternal health. There are opportunities for hospitals to partner.
 - Work: There is a lot that can be done in the safe sleep space. Hospitals are interested in partnering. If there are ideas you have to leverage your MIH programs, please reach out to your local hospitals.
- **Florida Trauma Program Manager:** Nichols
 - Nichols: Highlighted the FCOT Guest Speaker Series with Dr. Barbara Gaines. Lisa plans to share the recording of the Wolfson Children's Hospital 2nd Annual Pediatric Trauma Symposium (**action item**). They recently did registry reviews – most trauma registries were bought out by one company and there is more to come on that. There are sub-committees that are being set up among the trauma coordinators group. State Trauma Standards are being updated so they align more with the American College of Surgeons standards.
 - Berger: When looking at programs from across the state, there were inconsistencies with providing feedback to EMS agencies. In conjunction with EMSCAC and FCOT, they are looking at trying to collect EMS pediatric related protocols.
- **EMS Educators:** No updates
- **Injury Prevention:** There is a new issue with children swallowing water beads
- **Children's Medical Services, Child Death, Child Abuse:** Radigan – not present
- **Florida Committee on Trauma:** Draus – not present
- **Other**

Old Business

- National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO) Annual Meeting 2024 Pediatric Emergency Council update was provided. The Safe Transport Committee is wrapping up phase one: crash testing. They will publish three unique SAE test methods including seated pediatric patients, supine pediatric patients, and neonatal patients. NASEMSO is currently seeking funding for phase two: validating the test method (years two and three). The AAP Committee on Pediatric Emergency Medicine: there are several policy statements that are up for review including prehospital pediatric readiness (to add

MIH), medication safety in EDs, death of child in EDs, and ED pediatric readiness. The AAP Pediatric Education for Prehospital Professionals: planning for the 5th edition of the Pediatric Education for Prehospital Professionals (PEPP) textbook. The National Pediatric Readiness Project (NPRP): the [second PECC learning module](#) is now available ([first PECC learning module](#)). They are updating the joint policy statement, checklist, and toolkit. If you have the opportunity, please review the toolkit and provide feedback to pedready@jax.ufl.edu so it can be shared with the national partners. The next NPRP (ED) Assessment is expected to launch in 2026. States and territories shared information and resources. Select resources were highlighted including a [pediatric reference card](#) (Maryland), stretcher instructional cards (Maryland), newborn badge buddy (New Hampshire), EMS stress prevention tips pocket card (New York), PECC pins (Utah, New Hampshire), and EMSC challenge coins (Utah). There was interest from the committee in the challenge coins and pins. EMSCAC will look into developing pins for ED PECCs and challenge coins for EMS PECCs (**action item**).

- 2024 Florida Pediatric EMS Symposium recap: the event was sold out with great reviews. Thank you to those that made this event possible. Florida EMSC was a sponsor for rural agency scholarships.
- EMS Week and EMSC Day Updates: many events were hosted during EMS Week:
 - 2024 Pediatric Trauma EMS Outreach Event hosted by UF Health Shands Children’s Hospital
 - Wolfson Children’s Hospital 2nd Annual Pediatric Trauma Symposium focused on gun violence
 - Emergency Medical Consultants hosted free CPR classes for families and friends
 - UF Health Jacksonville ED sites were provided treats and pediatric resources
 - Dr. Peter Antevy hosted a webinar titled, “[Transform Pediatric EMS Care: Unpacking the Prehospital Pediatric Readiness Project.](#)”
 - The EMSC Innovation and Improvement Center (EIIC) hosted a webinar titled, “Prehospital Airway Management The Past, Present, and Future.” The webinar highlighted historical milestones, current practices, and future advancements shaping EMS pediatric airway management (click [here](#) to watch the recording). Check out the impactful EMSC patient [video](#) highlighting Arlette’s story.

Prehospital Pediatric Readiness

- The status of the Florida Prehospital Pediatric Readiness Recognition Program (PRRP) was discussed, including that there will be two levels to the program: Florida PEDReady Silver and Florida PEDReady Gold. The criteria were reviewed by the State EMS Medical Director. The virtual verification process remains to be determined. An application package is in progress. The updated criteria for the gold level of recognition was reviewed. It was suggested to consider enhancing the PECC criterion for Florida PEDReady Gold to add specific duties of the PECC or partially protected time for the PECC. Comments/feedback on this suggestion included:
 - Dedicated or administrative time versus protected time – could be documented through training
 - Walton County has a PECC position which details time commitment and duties/responsibilities
 - From the rural side, each agency should have the chance to reach the gold level of recognition
 - Attend “X” amount of EMSCAC meetings
 - In PECC duties, consider requiring 8-10 hours of PECC-related continuing education (e.g., symposiums, trainings, meetings)
 - It is easy to add training into our systems
 - In Martin County, Chief Kammel has taken the responsibilities of this position. Instead of modifying his job description, they wrote a policy on what those additional responsibilities include
 - Agreement with the continuing education specific to pediatric needs
 - CEU/trainings are great ideas

For Florida PEDReady Gold, the PECC criterion will be updated and sent out for review by the workgroup in the near future (**action item**). To provide additional feedback about the criteria, please email pedready@jax.ufl.edu.

- Discussed the National Prehospital Pediatric Readiness Project (PPRP) for EMS agencies. The PPRP Assessment is in progress. The deadline to complete the Assessment is July 31st, 2024. The focus areas include education and competencies for providers; equipment and supplies; patient and medication safety; patient- and family-centered care; policies, procedures, and protocols; quality improvement/performance improvement; and interactions with systems of care. The Assessment is intended to increase EMS pediatric comfort and confidence. It is expected to be conducted every five years and will take about 30-45 minutes to complete. EMS and fire-rescue agencies that respond to public 911 calls and render care should complete the Assessment. To prepare, review the [Prehospital Checklist](#). You will need to collect data in advance including annual call volume, annual pediatric call volume, and number of personnel at each level of certification. After completing the Assessment, you will have immediate access to an overall pediatric readiness summary tally (or score out of 100), benchmarking with similar EMS agencies (by annual pediatric volume), and a Gap Report with a link to evidence-based resources. Florida EMSC will provide your agency with a formal thank you email including information to receive a Florida EMSC EMS Resource Bag and completion package with access to a customizable certificate, social media post and banner, and challenge coin. Current successes and challenges were reviewed. For resources, review the [Prehospital Toolkit](#). The current list of respondents as of 6/11/2024 was reviewed. If your agency has not received the link to complete the assessment, please contact pedready@jax.ufl.edu.

Emergency Department Pediatric Readiness

- Discussed the current status of the Florida Emergency Department Pediatric Readiness Recognition Program (PRRP). Florida EMSC is part of a national collaborative to determine *minimum* criteria components for all ED Pediatric Readiness Recognition Programs (PRRP) using a Delphi process. Florida EMSC anticipates the ED pediatric readiness workgroup meetings to begin in August 2024. The current focus is on rural EDs and the silver level of recognition.
- Discussed the National Pediatric Readiness Project (NPRP) for EDs. View the [NPRP Assessment](#). The Assessment is intended to evaluate the overall pediatric readiness in EDs. It is administered nationally every 5 years and the next launch is expected in 2026. It can be taken at anytime for quality improvement purposes. Check out the [ED Checklist](#) and [ED Toolkit](#).
- Dr. Hendry is working on a Florida ED PEDReady Rural grant proposal. A summary of the proposal was reviewed and discussed. There was support for the proposal.

Pediatric Prehospital Whole Blood Workgroup

- The workgroup is comprised of members from the Medical Care Committee, EMSCAC, and FCOT Pediatric Committee. The lead is Dr. Marshall Frank. Dr. Meryam Jan, a PEM fellow, is assisting. A leadership meeting was held in March. The first workgroup meeting was postponed due to competing priorities, the changing landscape, rapid adoption of prehospital whole blood in pediatrics, and new literature. The workgroup leadership will regroup to determine the future direction of the workgroup (**action item**).

National EMSC Program Information (EDC, EIIC, State Partnership Programs, PECARN, PPN, and Targeted Issues Grants)

- Several resources are available, including the [EMSC Pulse Newsletter](#), which includes national and state activities, quality improvement initiatives, data findings and research updates, educational resources and events, funding opportunities, and more. [Pediatric Education and Advocacy \(PEAK\) Kits](#) include best practice educational resources such as recommendations, learning modules, podcasts,

and webinars. Current PEAKs include [status epilepticus](#), [suicide](#), [pain](#), [agitation](#), and [child abuse](#). There was an update to the [PEAK: Suicide](#) to include NIMH ASQ Brief Suicide Safety Assessment Guide and Worksheet. [Other resources](#) are available including toolkits, learning modules, and webinars.

New Literature and Resources

- New literature is available: [Hospital Costs of High Emergency Department Pediatric Readiness](#) by Remick, et al. and [PECARN Predication Rule for Cervical Spine Imaging of Children Presenting to the Emergency Department with Blunt Trauma: A Multicentre Prospective Observational Study](#) by Leonard, et al.
- There is a new [Kids Considered™ Podcast](#) and [EM Pulse Podcast™](#)

Florida EMSC State Partnership Program Information

- Reviewed national performance measures: pediatric readiness in EDs and EMS agencies, disaster planning, and family representation and advocacy
- Shared handouts, including the [one page overview](#) and [resources flyer](#). Current resources include: [modified JumpSTART and START badge buddies](#), [pediatric emergency ABCs and more](#), [pediatric pain and fever dosing guide](#), communication cards ([English to Spanish](#), [English to Haitian Creole](#)), new Ready Wrigley Hurricane Preparedness Educational Coloring Books (available in English and Spanish)
- Discussed potentially developing a pediatric weight and temperature guide postcard based on national recommendations. Some members did not see a need for the baby weight conversion chart. Florida EMSC to discuss further with Florida ENA Representative, Penny Blake (**action item**).
- The [Florida EMSC Website](#) houses several resources, including the following sections: **About** (funding statement/disclaimer, performance measures, partners); **Resources** (data and maps, educational materials, events, E-newsletter, pediatric emergency topics, podcasts and apps); **EMSC Advisory Committee** (meeting information, members, state plan); **Pediatric Readiness for EDs and EMS Agencies** (PECCs, National and Prehospital Pediatric Readiness Projects, state and national survey results); **Disaster Preparedness** (resources); **Patient and Families** (Family Advisory Network, resources). Let us know what is missing and provide feedback to pedready@jax.ufl.edu.
- Stay up to date with Florida EMSC on social media: Facebook ([@floridaemsforchildren](#)) and Instagram ([@flemsforchildren](#)). Be sure to sign up for the PE²ARL Quarterly E-newsletter. The [Spring Issue 2024](#) was released in April. To [sign up](#) to receive future issues and other Florida EMSC updates, email pedready@jax.ufl.edu.
- [Past presentations](#) are now available for download on the Florida EMSC Website
- A Florida EMSC photo and video repository are being built. Continue to send in your photos and/or videos to pedready@jax.ufl.edu (with permission/consent) to be featured in a future Florida EMSC calendar.

Upcoming Events

- [CPEN Crash Course](#)
 - July 16th, 2024 from 8:00-5:00 pm EST at Johns Hopkins All Children’s Hospital in St. Petersburg, Florida
- [Symposium by the Sea 2024](#)
 - July 25th-28th, 2024 at Eden Roc Miami Beach in Miami Beach, Florida
- [Pediatric Preparedness for the Healthcare Professional](#)
 - August 13th-14th, 2024 in Orlando, Florida
- Newborn Emergencies and Resuscitation Skills (NEARS™)
 - Coming September 2024
 - Contact Emergency Medical Consultants to schedule a class with your staff at 772-878-3085 or info@medicaltraining.cc

- Fall EMS Advisory Council Meetings
 - October 29th-31st, 2024 at Hyatt Regency in Bonita Springs, Florida
- [National Healthcare Coalition Preparedness Conference 2024](#)
 - December 10th-12th, 2024 at Rosen Shingle Creek in Orlando, Florida

Questions and Open Discussion

- John Wilgis: If Florida Hospital Association can assist with hospital EDs, please reach out
- Deanna Adams: If anyone already has a setup with mother/baby and your MIH program for a rural area, please email this information to adadeanna@waltonso.org. Jane Bedford to reach out to Deanna (**action item**).
- Chief Chris Kammel: Built out a guidebook for moving to whole blood through region 5 of the CFDMC. It has a full step by step process for starting the delivery of whole blood for EMS and Fire Rescue departments. It is on their website if anyone wants to review: <https://www.centralfladisaster.org/>. Chief Kammel believes the sample protocols cover pediatrics.
- Several questions were raised around new legislation allowing birthing centers to perform c-sections.
- John Wilgis (FHA): For birthing centers, he anticipates a rule making process from the Agency for Healthcare Administration

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