



Florida Emergency Medical Services for Children Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda

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 Terrace Ballroom C/D

Virtual via Zoom

Thursday, June 12th, 2025, from 1:30 to 3:25 pm Eastern Time

Virtual Meeting Information

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Welcome

- Please sign in by completing the sign-in sheet. For those joining the meeting virtually, place your name and affiliation in the chat. If you are joining for the first time, please email pedready@jax.ufl.edu with your contact information.
- All past Florida EMS for Children Advisory Committee meeting information can be found on the Florida EMSC website [here](#). This includes today's meeting agenda.

Florida Emergency Medical Services for Children Advisory Committee Update

- Appointed positions
- Liaisons
- Florida Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) Program Staff

Bureau of Emergency Medical Oversight (BEMO) Update

- Staffing announcements
- Cardiac Arrest Registry to Enhance Survival (CARES) 2024 Annual Report
 - [CARES Website](#)

- [Pediatric CARES data presentation](#) by Dr. Peter Antevy
- [EMS award nominations](#) (deadline: 6/30/2025)
- State EMS Advisory Council Public Information, Education, and Relations (PIER) Committee adults and pediatric hands-only CPR video competition (deadline: 8/1/2025). See the competition [rules](#), [flyer](#), and [photo release form](#) for more information.
- [State EMS Advisory Council Website](#)

Federal EMSC Program Funding

Old Business

- Florida children's hospitals and contacts database
- Florida PEDReady^{ED} rural grant proposal approved starting 7/1/2025 focused on pediatric readiness in rural EDs and counties without an ED
- Florida ED pediatric readiness legislation passed all committees with 0 NAYS (see [HB 119](#) and [SB 1602](#)), later moved into a rural health bill
 - [Florida bill on EKGs for student athletes](#) passed
- 2025 Life After Residency Conference (FCEP)
- NASEMSO Annual Meeting 2025 highlights
 - Florida Prehospital Pediatric Readiness Recognition Program (PRRP) Abstract Poster
 - National Pediatric Readiness Project (NPRP) Steering Committee Partner Key Updates
 - American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP): A survey was distributed to all Pediatric Emergency Medicine (PEM) fellowship directors to identify educational needs
 - American College of Surgeons-Committee on Trauma (ACS-COT): an upcoming webinar series promoting NPRP participation for all trauma centers by 2026
 - Pediatric Pandemic Network (PPN): Disaster Collaborative projects with a focus on pediatric surge, reunification, and mental health support
 - Pediatric Emergency Care (PEC) Council
 - Safe Transport of Children Committee: Stage 1 of the safe transport device project was completed in the fall. Now need to test the standards and then take them to the international committee.
 - Michigan Autism Ready Certification Program
 - [Carter Kits](#) were introduced in April 2022 – [Train-the-Trainer model](#)
 - AAP Committee on Pediatric Emergency Medicine (COPEM) Report
 - Revised policies, statements, and practice guidelines
 - Preparing Your Family for Disasters remains available and was updated for families on [healthychildren.org](#) with a focus on hurricanes and floods
 - Pediatric Readiness in Emergency Medicine Services policy statement and technical report intent to revise has been approved by AAP Board
 - Pediatric Readiness in the Emergency Department policy statement and technical report have been finalized and are awaiting AAP Board approval for publication
 - Advocating for Life Support Training of Children, Parents, Caregivers, School Personnel, and the Public policy statement and technical report intent to revise was approved, with publication anticipated in 2026
 - Death of a Child in the ED policy statement and technical report are under revision, with publication targeted for 2026
 - Prehospital Trauma Compendium: Withholding and Discontinuation of Resuscitation in Pediatric Out of Hospital Traumatic Circulatory Arrest (Ped TOHCA) new policy statement jointly AAP, ACEP, ACSCOT, and NAEMSP is drafted and out for review

- Pediatric Non-Traumatic Cardiac Arrest: Optimizing In- and Out-of-Hospital Management new policy statement in progress
- Acute Pain Management for Children in Emergency Settings policy statement revisions are being drafted
- ACEP's Emergency Department Accreditation Program (EDAP) has four levels (I, II, III, Rural & Critical Access) with an online application, fee structure, site visit, and a three-year cycle. Common Criteria: a policy that specifies patients' weights are recorded in kilograms, hospital disaster plan that includes a plan for adult and pediatric patient surge to the ED, ED must review its pediatric readiness status at least every two years, including participation in the [National Pediatric Readiness Assessment](#) and document the review and develop action plans to address any identified deficiencies. Learn more about the [program](#) and [accreditation levels](#).
- EMS Week 2025/EMS for Children Day highlights
 - Events/activities throughout Florida
 - [EMS World news story](#) featuring North Port Fire Rescue and the Florida Prehospital PRRP
 - Discussion: What events did your hospital ED or EMS agency do to celebrate EMS Week 2025 and, specifically, EMS for Children Day?

Prehospital Pediatric Readiness

- Florida Prehospital Pediatric Readiness Recognition Program (PRRP) update
 - [Informational handout](#)
 - Florida Prehospital PRRP [webpage](#)
 - Future resource repository to be available on the webpage with best practices
 - Pilot phase (January 2025 – pending): 4 agencies recognized, 2 agencies preparing for the verification visit phase, 2 applications under review, and 13 other agencies in different phases of the application process as of 5/28/2025
 - Next steps and lessons learned
- National Prehospital Pediatric Readiness Project (PPRP) for EMS agencies
 - [Assessment](#)
 - State results and national results: HRSA approved ALS-level data and is actively reviewing BLS-level data. Approval is expected soon.
 - The National Pediatric Prehospital Readiness Project: First Comprehensive Assessment of United States Emergency Medical Services Agencies submitted to Annals of Emergency Medicine. A separate manuscript focusing on the PRRP Toolkit is also in development/submission.
 - Next assessment expected in 2029
 - [Checklist](#)
 - [Toolkit](#)
 - EMS Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinators/Champions (PECCs)
 - [Prehospital PECC Flyer](#)
 - Challenge coins and/or lapel pins available for PECCs (see [flyer](#))
 - PECC mentorship program and case scenario reviews coming soon
- [New EMS Obstetric Emergency Guidelines](#) (NAEMSP) and [Identifying and Managing Obstetric Emergencies in Nonobstetric Settings](#) (ACOG)

Emergency Department Pediatric Readiness

- Florida Emergency Department Pediatric Readiness Recognition Program (PRRP) update
- National Pediatric Readiness Project (NPRP) for EDs
 - [The Route to Pediatric Readiness in Emergency Departments](#)

- [Assessment](#)
 - Next assessment expected in 2026
 - Policy statement update in progress
- [Checklist](#)
- [Toolkit](#)
- ED PECCs
 - [ED PECC Flyer](#)
 - Lapel pins available for PECCs (see [flyer](#))
 - [ED PECC Learning Modules Series](#) (Module 4 now available; many more modules coming soon!)

Disaster

- Example MCI plan update by Julie Downey, EMT-P
- MGT439 Pediatric Disaster Response and Emergency Preparedness upcoming offerings in Florida
- [Pediatric Disaster Preparedness Self-Assessment for Children's Hospitals](#) (PDPACH; PPN)
- Hurricane Season resources

National EMSC Program Information (EDC, EIIC, State Partnership Programs, PECARN, PPN)

- Resources
 - [PPN Visual Communication cards](#) (NEW)
 - A Central Resource Library is being developed
 - [EMSC Pulse Newsletter](#)
 - [Pediatric Education and Advocacy \(PEAK\) Kits](#)
 - [Sepsis](#) (NEW)
 - [Other resources](#)
- [National Pediatric EMS Performance Dashboard](#) (NHTSA and EMSC)

New Literature, Podcasts, and Other Resources

- New literature
 - [Changes in Pediatric Inpatient Capabilities and Emergency Department Pediatric Readiness](#) (May 2025)
 - [Youth Suicide Prevention in the Emergency Department: Lethal Means Counseling 101](#) (April 2025)
 - [The Current State of Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinators- A Role Essential for High Quality Pediatric Care](#) (April 2025)
 - [Pediatric Mental Health Boarding in US Emergency Departments, 2018-2022](#) (April 2025)
 - [Nurse Pediatric Competency, Certification, and Continuing Education: Impact on EDs' Pediatric Readiness](#) (April 2025)
 - [The Association of Emergency Department Weighted Pediatric Readiness Score with Pediatric Inpatient Capabilities](#) (March 2025)
 - [Abusive Head Trauma in Infants and Children: Technical Report](#) (February 2025)
 - [Performance of Individual Criteria of the Pediatric Emergency Care Applied Research Network \(PECARN\) Intraabdominal Injury Prediction Rule](#) (January 2025)
 - [Mapping Prehospital Clinician Impression to Hospital-Based Diagnoses in Children Transported to the Hospital by Emergency Medical Services](#) (July 2024)
 - [Measures of Patient Acuity Among Children Encountered by Emergency Medical Services by the Child Opportunity Index](#) (April 2024) (Dr. Fishe co-author)
 - [Emergency Department Arrival Modes: Time for Mandatory Pediatric Readiness](#) (April 2024)
- Podcasts
 - [Mass Casualty 101: Real-Life ER Disaster Planning with Dr. Matt Harris](#) (Doctors Are People Too)

- [Pediatric Readiness – Tackling Training, the C-suite, and Everything in Between](#) (Peds-Centered)
- Other resources
 - Measles
 - [Measles FAQ for Families and Caregivers](#), [Recognizing Measles in Your Patients](#), and [other Measles Resources](#) (PPN)
 - [Measles Prevention and Preparedness Tips for Camps](#) and [No Outbreaks Here! Simple Strategies for Reducing the Spread of Communicable Disease at Camp](#) (American Camp Association®)
 - [Pediatric Course](#) (Florida Center for EMS)
 - [Pediatric First Aid and Safety Training for Teachers and Caregivers](#) (AAP)
 - Pediatric Emergency Medicine Guides Version 12.0 (2025)
 - APPLE USERS: Use the link below, then select “VIEW IN IBOOKS” and then “GET” to download the book to your iPhone, iPad, or Mac. IBOOK Version [link](#).
 - NON-APPLE USERS: PDF AND EPUB Version [link](#). Note, the EPUB version retains the internal links and external links. The PDF version only retains the external links.

Florida EMSC State Partnership Program Information

- National EMSC performance measures
- HRSA Florida EMSC Site Visit Rescheduled to 2/24-2/26/2026
- [One-page overview](#)
- [Resources flyer](#)
 - [Modified JumpSTART and START badge buddies](#), [pediatric emergency ABCs and more](#), [pediatric pain and fever dosing guide](#)
- Ready Wrigley hurricane preparedness educational coloring books (available in [English](#) and [Spanish](#))
- Fidget spinners and notepads are now available upon request
- [Website](#)
- Social media pages: Facebook ([@floridaemsforchildren](#)) and Instagram ([@flemsforchildren](#))
- The PE²ARL Quarterly E-newsletter
 - [Spring Issue 2025](#) released
 - Submit topics, events, etc. to pedready@jax.ufl.edu to be featured in the next issue
 - Discussion: What would be helpful to include in the newsletter?
 - [Sign up](#) to receive future issues and other Florida EMSC updates
- [Past presentations](#)
- [2025 calendar](#) (online only)

Upcoming Events

- [Dr. Michael Frogel Memorial Pediatric Disaster Preparedness Conference](#) 6/17 at 6 pm EST
- [Measles: Connecting the Dots Virtual Education Series](#) 6/19 at 12-1 pm MST via Zoom
- [FCEP Symposium by the Sea 2025](#) 7/31-8/3/2025 at Fort Lauderdale Marriott Harbor Beach Resort & Spa in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The theme is neonatal emergencies. It will include a pediatric workshop.
 - Florida EMSC to help sponsor the 2025 Florida Pediatric EMS Symposium 7/31/2025
- [National Healthcare Coalition Preparedness Conference](#) 12/1-12/3/2025 in Grapevine, Texas
- [Florida Fire and EMS Conference](#) 1/5-1/9/2026 at Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, Florida
- [National Association of EMS Physicians](#) 2026 Annual Meeting 1/26-1/31/2025 at the JW Marriott Tampa Water Street in Tampa, Florida

New Business

- 2025 Broselow Tape errors
- Collaboration with the Florida Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Coalition

- Sensory assistance bag (Southwest Florida Healthcare Coalition, Golisano Children’s Hospital, SEA STAR Program, and EMS providers)

Liaison and Constituency Group Reports

- **Florida Emergency Nurses Association:** Blake
- **Florida Trauma Program Manager:** Nichols
- **Mental Health:** Work
- **Rural:** Vause, Bedford, Redd
- **Family Advisory Network (FAN):** Nasca, Brownfield, Burr, McNeil
- **Disaster Preparedness:** Downey
- **Data Committee and Biospatial**
- **Community Paramedicine/Mobile Integrated Health/Health-Access-Resiliency and Telehealth:** Bedford, Work
- **EMS Educators**
- **Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinators/Champions:** Weishaupt, Rabish
- **Pediatric and Neonatal Transport Network Association and STARS Program:** Shimko
- **Injury Prevention**
- **Children’s Medical Services, Child Death, Child Abuse:** Radigan
- **Florida Committee on Trauma:** Draus
- **Florida Hospital Association:** Wilgis, Pelligrino
- **Other**

Questions and Open Discussion

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