## EMS Focus

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NHTSA's Office of EMS
Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 1pm ET

How Ready Is Your Agency to Provide Pediatric Care?
Build Your Clinicians' Confidence When Treating Children

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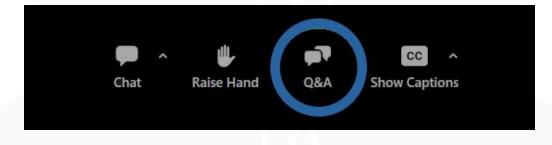


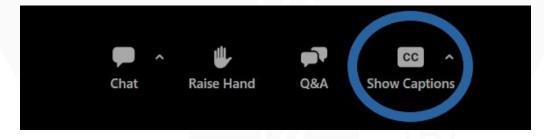
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#### **NHTSA Office of EMS**

#### **Mission**



Reduce death & disability

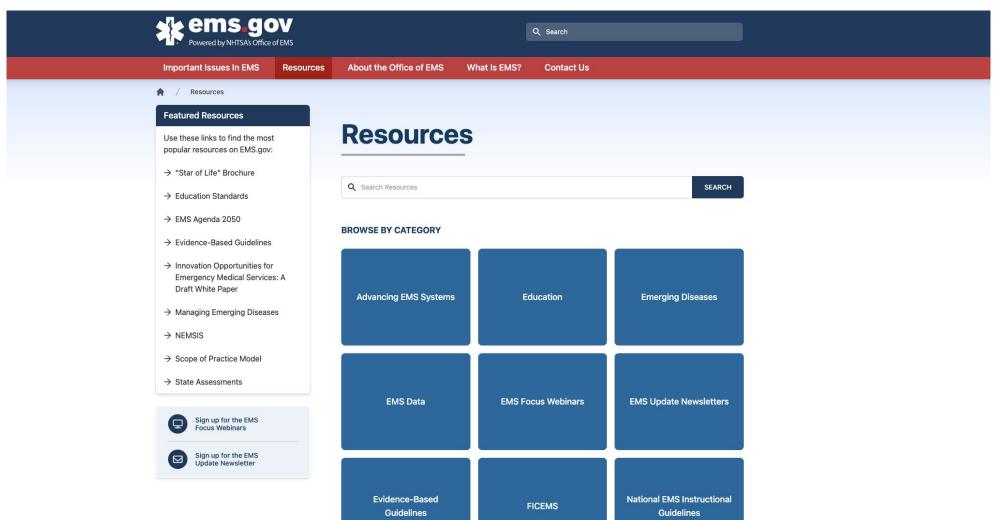


**Provide** leadership & coordination to the EMS community



Assess, plan, develop, & promote comprehensive, evidence-based emergency medical services & 911 systems

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#### Today's Topic: How Ready Is Your Agency to Provide Pediatric Care? Build Your Clinicians' **Confidence When Treating Children**

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#### **NHTSA Office of EMS & EMS for Children: Pediatric Care on the Roadways and Beyond**



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# Prehospital Pediatric Readiness

**Overview** 









#### **The Vision**



That all emergency care practitioners have the appropriate resources including trained and competent staff, education, policies, medications, equipment, and supplies, to provide effective emergency care for children across the spectrum of emergency care

#### **Pediatric Readiness Includes:**



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



Interactions with Systems of Care

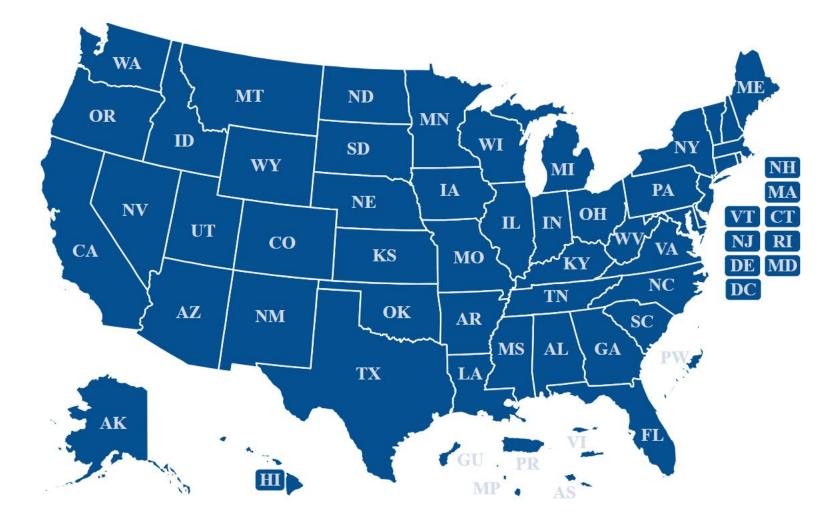


### **Today's Topics**

- 1. The State Partnership Grant Program
- 2. Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinators
- 3. The Prehospital Pediatric Readiness Program Assessment



### State Partnership Grant Program







## Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinator (PECC)

- An agency can have one PECC or a PECC can be shared by multiple agencies
- PECCs do not need any previous formal experience in pediatrics
- A systematic review of literature showed EMS agencies with PECCs demonstrated improved documentation, clinical management, and staff awareness of high-priority pediatric areas





Prehospital Pediatric Readiness Project

**Ensuring Emergency Care for All Children** 



## PPRP Steering Committee: Structure and Accomplishments

- National working group of prehospital experts
- > 30 organizations and national partners
- 6 EMSC PPRP Fellows
- Quarterly meetings
- Governed by a project charter defining success
- Workgroups:
  - Toolkit
  - Research
  - Assessment
  - Communications





#### Readiness Focus Areas



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



Interactions with Systems of Care



## Prehospital Pediatric Readiness Assessment Gap Report

#### YOUR PREHOSPITAL PEDIATRIC READINESS SCORE COMPARED TO THE NATION:

68

YOUR CURRENT SCORE OUT OF 100 (5/24/2023) 62

n=50

NATIONAL AVERAGE SCORE OF ALL PARTICIPATING PREHOSPITAL AGENCIES 83

n=11

NATIONAL AVERAGE SCORE OF PREHOSPITAL AGENCIES WITH SIMILAR PEDAITRIC VOLUME

#### **LEGEND:**



**Readiness Met** 



Do Not Have Item

**Education and Competencies for** 

Providers

YOUR SCORE:

5.3 out of 15

	Your Previous National Points: N/A	CURRENT: 5/24/2023		Readiness:
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Skill station physical demonstration frequency	0	0.2	0.2	$\bigcirc$
Simulated event (case scenario or mock incident) physical demonstration	0	0.2	0.2	<b>⊘</b>
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#### **PPRP Assessment**



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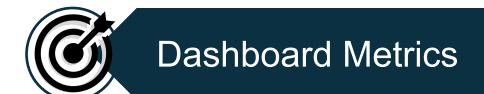
## National EMS Information System (NEMSIS) Pediatric Dashboard

- A NEMSIS pediatric dashboard that can help drive performance improvement in pediatric prehospital emergency care
- The dashboard will integrate:
  - 1. EMS agency and state-level data
  - 2. Prehospital Pediatric Readiness Project (PPRP) Assessment
  - 3. Up-to-date evidence-based guidelines for key conditions



### **Proposed Dashboard Measures**





- Documentation of GCS, BP and respiratory rate in patients with trauma
- 2. Injured patients have a pain assessment completed
- 3. Patients with asthma exacerbation receive a beta-agonist
- 4. Patients in anaphylaxis receive epinephrine
- 5. Patients in shock receive IV fluids
- 6. Hypoglycemia is treated



#### For More Information



#### **PPRP Assessment**



## **State EMSC Grant Managers**





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