



**EMS for Children Advisory Committee Meeting
 April 28, 2022
 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 January.	None
EMS-C	The ACS has released the gray book with standards surrounding Pediatric ED Readiness. A greater focus will be put forward with DHEC and Pediatric Ready Trauma Centers and Pediatric Ready Emergency Departments to meet the new standard.	

	<p>Monthly EMS-C CME Webinar started in March. Last session was Tuesday April 26th. Attendance has been positive and the sessions are recorded and available for 1 hour of CME. Ideas welcomes to increase awareness and dissemination.</p> <p>Recommendation made to have CME office email their subscriber list. May session is on Pediatric Burns, calendar invite forthcoming.</p> <p>DHEC EMS-C Pediatric Coordinator position remains vacant. Interviews to continue in the coming weeks.</p> <p>NASEMSO annual meeting is being hosted in Charleston this year. This is a great opportunity for EMS partners and agencies to learn from EMS officers across the country.</p>	
Pediatric DNR Bill	<p>Pediatric DNR Bill has passed. A summary of the Bill was provided to the group including specifics to processes of DNR issuance, notification processes for parents and/or legal guardians.</p>	
TASC Pediatric Trauma Sub-committee	<p>No updates.</p>	
Pediatric Spinal Motion Restriction Protocol Draft	<p>Updated proposal to pediatric spinal motion restrictions presented to the group.</p>	

	<p>Rather than a new spinal trauma protocol, the pediatric head trauma protocol was repurposed to include head and spine trauma and direct EMS to consider spinal motion restriction based on history and mechanism. References inserted to consider NAT. Further clarification provided for mechanism and injury patterns that would warrant spinal restriction. Special Considerations reviewed with the group. Spinal Motion Restriction defined. Acceptable devices listed. Additional trauma protocols with spinal restriction considerations shared for reference and for additional comment from the group. Group discussed high risk auto to further define. Decision was made to include language in box 3 of pediatric triage and transport protocol. Group agreed to update per recommendations.</p>	
<p>Peds Ready EMS Agency Recognition</p>	<p>Calhoun County EMS recognized as a Pediatric Ready agency. No objections made.</p>	<p>None.</p>

<p>EMSC/DHEC Updates</p>	<p>EMS Regulations: Waiting for the end of May for 61.7 to publish to the State Register. Found favorable by reviewing committees.</p> <p>Rich W. recommended a change to the Pediatric Trauma Triage and Transport Protocol. Proposed to move burns greater than superficial to Box 2. The group asked for further definition of burns and an added asterisk for proximity to burn centers. A recommendation was made to follow state burn transport guidelines and cross reference between the protocols. The group agreed to move it with more clarifying language to be added.</p>	<p>.</p>
<p>Adjourn</p>	<p>Dr. Polley adjourned the meeting.</p> <p>The next meeting will be July 28. The meeting may be offered in face to face setting. Virtual attendance will continue to be an option.</p>	<p>None.</p>