



PEDIATRIC EMERGENCY CARE COUNCIL



ALASKA 2017 PROGRAM REPORT

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PUBLICATIONS, PRODUCTS, RESOURCES

- [Communication Tool \(Nov 2016\)](#)
- [Pediatric Medical Direction Hotline Numbers](#)
(Alaska EMS Providers Only)

PROGRAM FOCUS AREAS

At a glance

Pediatric Education & Training

- The National Association of EMTs (NAEMTs) has assembled a pediatric education curriculum that is equivalent to the Prehospital Pediatric Education Preparation (PEPP). In fact, both courses can work in concert to achieve increased access to pediatric emergency care education. A decision was made that the administrative infrastructure NAEMT brings provides the best option between the two.
 - The simple goal of providing a minimum of 4 EPC courses per years to different areas of Alaska, to include the recruiting of instructors from the community will propagate regular re-educations sessions locally.
 - These initial courses will identify persons who have experience and expertise where they may serve as Alaska EPC Affiliate Faculty. Their leadership will support continued growth of this idea.
 - Each provider course will specifically screen for individuals who have great 'IP' (Instructor Potential). Subsequent courses will allow for them to meet instructor criteria and monitoring. With a diverse Affiliate Faculty, they would approve IPs as EPC instructors. This idea can be replicated across the EMS regions of our state.
 - Key to the success of such a plan is the right people, with the right equipment and the drive to improve pediatric education and care across Alaska.
 - It is easily said, this plan is a multi-year endeavor.

Pediatric Emergency Care Facility Recognition Program

- Alaska's Pediatric Emergency Care Program recognizes its second Comprehensive pediatric emergency care facility August 26th, 2016.
- The Alaska Native Medical Center was recognized on October 6th, 2015 as the first Comprehensive Pediatric Emergency Care facility in Alaska.
- Fairbanks Memorial Hospital is currently working on their application for pediatric recognition, showing that Alaska believes that when their hospitals are prepared for the emergency care of children, children who are acutely ill or injured have been proven to have superior outcomes.