



PEDIATRIC EMERGENCY CARE COUNCIL



KANSAS 2017 PROGRAM REPORT

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PROGRAM FOCUS AREAS

At a glance

Children with Special Health Care Needs

- The Kansas EMSC program is working closely with the Maternal and Child Health Family Advisory Committee to develop an emergency information form for children with special health care needs
 - Once developed, each EMS agencies in the state will receive a copy and brief explanation as to what the form contains should they ever come in contact with it during patient care

Data & Quality Improvement

- The program is looking to set up a database and identifying currently what we would like to track

Disaster Preparedness

- Working with our Preparedness Program has been a big accomplishment - A meeting is scheduled to discuss the development of a pediatric disaster state plan
 - This was started in 2015 and then put on hold
- The EMSC Coordinator is on a statewide Pediatric Preparedness campaign to educate prehospital providers on the use of the JumpSTART triage model
 - All participants complete a pre- and post-lecture activity to measure time to triage and accuracy of triage 3-month, 6-month and 1 year post course reevaluations will be conducted to assess retention of knowledge Post course assessments will be conducted through an online assessment process

Education & Training

- Pediatrics in Disasters - JumpSTART
- Pediatric Safe Transport in the Ambulance - following the "Improving Occupant Protection for Non-Critical Pediatric Patients in Ambulances: A Training Curriculum for EMS Personnel"
- Safe Sleep for First Responders
- Communicating with the Nonverbal Pediatric Patient
- Education as requested from EMS agencies statewide

Emergency & Trauma Care

- Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinators have been appointed in the states regional EMS and Trauma Councils
- In addition, pediatric educational components have been included in both state EMS Conferences and to all six Regional Trauma Symposiums

PROGRAM FOCUS AREAS (CONT.)

At a glance

Injury Prevention

- Car Seat Safety – CPST check lanes and also events through Safe Kids
- Stop the Bleed – through the trauma program
- Safe Sleep for First Responders and Child Care Providers – The EMSC Coordinator is a safe sleep instructor through the Kansas Infant Death and SIDS Network

Pediatric Emergency Care Facility Recognition Program

- Kansas was elected to participate in the FRC through the EIIC this past year
 - Currently the state FRC is finalizing the format and criteria with hopes of a pilot program in 2018 and implementation statewide in 2019

Pediatric Recognition Programs

- Kansas is currently in its first year of the Voluntary EMS Recognition
 - There are seven (7) components and agencies may apply to any of the components annually
 - The pediatric component has three levels and will be assessed by the Board of EMS inspectors and applications reviewed by the committee

Safe Transport of Children in Ambulances

- Following the "Improving Occupant Protection for Non-Critical Pediatric Patients in Ambulances: A Training Curriculum for EMS Personnel" curriculum, Kansas has started offering the course to all pre-hospital care providers as a way to stress the importance of safe transport
- We are collecting the pre- and post-lecture tests completed by participants and hope to show change in transport practices, guidelines and policies in the next year