Pediatric Facility Recognition
Virtual Surveys

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Illinois Emergency Medical Services for Children
Illinois Demographics

Population: 12.7 million
- 2.9 million age 0 – 17 y/o
- 6th most populous state

11 EMS Regions
- Provide infrastructure/oversight for
  - EMS
  - EMS for Children (EMSC)
  - Trauma

Hospitals
- Over 200 hospitals
  - 185 general hospitals with Emergency Depts
    - 111 hospitals (60%) designated through our EMSC Pediatric Facility Recognition program
    - Meets Federal EMSC Performance Measure 04 re a system to assure Emergency Dept readiness for children
Pediatric Facility Recognition Program

- Identifies readiness and capabilities of a hospital to provide optimal pediatric emergency and critical care

- **111 Hospitals**
  - 13 - Standby Emergency Department Approved for Pediatrics (SEDP)
  - 88 - Emergency Department Approved for Pediatrics (EDAP)
  - 10 - Pediatric Critical Care Centers (PCCC)

- Annually 2-3 regions undergo renewal in-person site survey visits

- Regions 4 & 5 were due for site survey visits in Spring 2020
  - Rescheduled visits to August/September
  - Decision to conduct virtual surveys
Pediatric Facility Recognition Requirements

• Facility criteria
• Physicians, Advanced Practice Providers, Nurses
  o Qualifications
  o Continuing education requirements
  o ED Coverage and on-call physician specialists availability
  o Back-up Physician/APP response time in critical situations/disasters
• Pediatric policies/procedures and treatment guidelines
• Interfacility Transfer/Transport requirements
• Pediatric quality improvement
  o Multidisciplinary ED QI Committee
  o Pediatric Physician Champion
  o Pediatric Quality Coordinator
  o Required pediatric QI monitors
  o Participation in regional quality improvement activities
• Equipment, supplies and medication requirements
• Pediatric disaster preparedness
Pre-Survey Planning

• Hospitals notified of survey date/time approx. 2 months prior to survey
• Assembled survey teams
  o Physician surveyor
  o Nurse surveyor
  o Disaster preparedness surveyor
  o Illinois Dept of Public Health surveyors x 2
    • One served as survey facilitator and provided technical assistance for survey team
• Determined secure webinar platforms
  o Cisco WebEx (state license)
  o Zoom (academic license)
• Developed a *Virtual Survey Process* guidance document
• Developed 60 minute training presentation
Pre-Survey Planning

• Conducted online educational sessions
  o Hospital personnel
  o Survey team members
• Scheduled webinar platform test with hospitals 10-14 days prior to survey
  o Requested participation by key personnel
  o Requested hospital IT participation
  o Test each computer/laptop planned for use during survey
    • Test both webinar platforms
    • Assure necessary documentation would be accessible, i.e. EMR
• Ensure that those using computers on day of survey
  o are comfortable navigating webinar platform and accessing documents, or
  o ensure presence of support personnel
• Requested hospital IT support/access throughout survey process
Virtual Survey Prerequisites

Ensure there are a sufficient number of desktops, laptop computers, and/or conference rooms with video capabilities to accommodate the different sessions.

Minimum Devices Needed: 4
Attachment C:
Required Documents to be Submitted PRIOR to Survey

NOTE: Do NOT submit any documents or records containing patient name(s) or other protected health or personal information.

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<td>All items/documents/clarification requested in your EDAP/SEDP Application Review Summary—as noted by an “X” with accompanying explanation/request (“GAP” documentation/binder)</td>
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<td>A list of all emergency department pediatric patient visits (age 0-15 years) for the timeframe 11/1/2019 – 2/29/2020 that were seen in the emergency department for the conditions listed below. This list should include DATE OF VISIT, AGE, DIAGNOSIS, and DISPOSITION. <strong>DO NOT INCLUDE PATIENT NAME, MEDICAL RECORD NUMBER, OR ANY OTHER PATIENT IDENTIFIER INFORMATION.</strong> Your hospital will then be requested to pull several medical records that the survey team will review during the survey. Also submit any treatment guidelines for the below conditions:</td>
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<td>Pediatric QI monitor tools for each of the required EDAP/SEDP monitors (pediatric deaths, interfacility transfers, suspected child abuse and neglect cases, and critically ill/injured children in need of stabilization)</td>
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<td>Examples of sharing of pediatric QI findings, i.e. dashboard/bulletin board/newsletter (i.e. aggregate data that is shared with staff; should not include patient identifiers)</td>
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<td>Pediatric Mock Code Process/Schedule/Evaluations</td>
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Document Submission Process Options

Illinois Secure File Transfer

www.filet.Illinois.gov

See Attachment E for instructions to send files to Evelyn Lyons and Kelly Jones.

Email

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On all submissions, regardless of method, please indicate your hospital name, pediatric facility recognition level, and number of total submissions.
Photo Submission (examples)
• Standing Scale
  • Please move cursor to slide and play button will appear.

Video Illustrating That Scales Are Locked To Weigh In KG Only
Photo Submission (examples)
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Virtual Survey Process Key Points

• Virtual survey consisted of
  o Opening session
  o 4 document review sessions conducted simultaneously
  o Closing session

• An agenda was created for each hospital with the session webinar links
  • Each session had a unique webinar link which was activated by the survey facilitator and designated survey team members

• All participants were asked to log into the webinar platform at least 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start time

• Record of attendance was based on attendees logged onto the webinar platform
  • The hospital forwarded a sign-in sheet or roster of attendees after the survey.
Virtual Survey Process Key Points

• Document review sessions were LOCKED while in progress
  o Electronic medical review
  o Quality improvement and other confidential documentation

• Closing session was recorded to ensure discussions/recommendations for the post survey report were captured accurately
  o Participation in closing session was considered consent to be recorded
  o Recorded session was available to the hospital team upon request

• Survey team members were provided with the cell phone # of IDPH survey facilitator
  o Text/call facilitator if issues or questions
  o Facilitator would temporarily join session or text reminder re 15 minutes remaining in session
Opening Session

**8:30am – 9:15am**
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Closing Session
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Opening Session - Overview

• Introductions
• Brief EMSC/Facility Recognition Overview
  o Physician surveyor
• Hospital Presentation
  o SWOT Analysis
  o Pediatric Demographics
  o Interfacility Transfer Process
  o Pediatric Quality Improvement Process/Activities
  o Pediatric Disaster Planning
• Questions & Answers
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*Physician Surveyor* – the ED Medical Director or Pediatric Physician Champion should be available to the physician surveyor during this session to discuss the following areas/documents:

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<td>Review the pediatric components that are regularly included in these meetings</td>
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<td>Physician and Advanced Practice Provider continuing education files</td>
<td>Ensure all files are available to confirm completion of 16 hours of pediatric CME over the past 2 years</td>
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<td>Patient Medical Records</td>
<td>Provide access to the patient medical records requested by the survey team; review feedback correspondence from tertiary care centers on transferred patients. This is a quality review related to patient management and use of treatment guidelines/practice recommendations, including a review of transferred patients and follow-up quality improvement correspondence from tertiary care center(s).</td>
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Lessons Learned

• In-person visits are the ideal, however overall the process went well and provided an avenue for assessing compliance

• Labor intensive process
  o Pre-survey preparation essential
  o Education/training of hospitals and surveyors

• IT issues were encountered, but not significant
  o Most issues were hospital personnel unfamiliarity with screen sharing and accessing documents for review

• Document review component was limiting at times
  o Not the same as being able to self-navigate

• Observed lack of social distancing by several of the hospitals

• Future plans
  o Incorporate strategies from other organizations
  o Utilize Breakout Rooms feature in webinar platforms
  o Request video of ED/inpatient unit to visualize area
THANK YOU!

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