# EMS for Children Advisory Committee Meeting

**October 23, 2019**  
**SC ETV**  
**1041 George Rogers Blvd**  
**Columbia, SC 29201**

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<td>Welcome and Introductions</td>
<td>Dr. Kevin Polley, Chairman, opened the meeting with introductions of the group.</td>
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<td>Approval of Minutes</td>
<td>Minutes from the July meeting were approved.</td>
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<td>Freedom of Information Act</td>
<td>Connie Thompson read the FOI act.</td>
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<td>Pediatric Ready</td>
<td>Mrs. Moore said she, Dr. Holtzman, and Mandy Felder presented at the SC Rural Health Conference in Charleston on October 10. She said the conference was a good way to reach rural hospital administrators and that those in attendance were very receptive to the Pediatric Ready</td>
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<td>Any interested facilities were asked to contact Mrs. Moore for additional information.</td>
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<td>EMS</td>
<td>Program. They are still looking for facilities to be recognized. The next Peds Ready Meeting is November 7 at the DHEC office. EMS Peds Ready are holding first initial stakeholders meeting on Wednesday, October 30. Aaron Dix is heading the stakeholders meeting.</td>
<td>Mr. Dix will update the committee on the progress at the January 2020 meeting.</td>
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<td>10th Annual Pediatric Trauma Symposium</td>
<td>Laura Strickland said the 10th Annual Pediatric Trauma Symposium is scheduled for March 6, 2020 at the Grand Dunes Marriott in Myrtle Beach, SC. Seventy-Five percent of the agenda is complete. The next planning committee meeting is Monday, October 28 to sort out the break-out sessions. Mrs. Strickland worked on a tentative save-the-date that will be sent out soon. The full brochure with registration, deadlines and fee information will be available in early 2020.</td>
<td>Mrs. Moore will distribute registration information as it becomes available.</td>
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<td>Pediatric Disaster Preparedness</td>
<td>Mrs. Moore said that the advisory committee was asked to help with drafting the Pediatric Surge Annex with the state’s healthcare coalitions. The first meeting was held earlier in the month. The group review</td>
<td>Members can contact Mrs. Moore for a copy of the template being discussed.</td>
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<td>Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinators</td>
<td>the template line items and discussed what was already available, where to find it and how to create it. The next meeting will be the same day and time as the November Peds Ready meeting since there are members on both working groups.</td>
<td>Mrs. Moore said that she sent a notice out through Continuum with the Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinator (PECC) job description. Eleven people have been recognized as a PECC. The goal is to have twenty percent by 2020. Mrs. Moore said that the PECC position will be the main requirement to be recognized as a Pediatric Ready EMS Agency. She said if you have an agency or someone who is already doing the work, please recognize them on Continuum. She said PECCs will be receiving additional training items in early 2020.</td>
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<td>TASC Pediatric Trauma Sub-Committee</td>
<td>Mrs. Laura Strickland said the group rescheduled their most recent meeting. They are working on car seat safety resources. She said the group has had positive feedback on the radiation statements put out in the past year.</td>
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<td>Pediatric Safe Transport</td>
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| Mrs. Moore said Pediatric Safe Transport is a huge topic at the national Pediatric Emergency Care Council with NASEMSO. There is a standard working group which work solely on Pediatric Safe Transport.  
  Mrs. Moore said there is nothing written about pediatric safe transport in the South Carolina EMS regulation. She said that some language could be added to the new EMS regulation when is revised in 2020.  
  Mrs. Moore said she missed the July meeting due to taking the Child Passenger Safety Technician Course. She said that she will research what other states are doing for pediatric safe transport. Mrs. Moore also presented at CEP at DHEC and was able to start a discussion on how to move forward with Pediatric Safe Transport for South Carolina EMS agencies.  
  Discussion followed. |
| Mrs. Moore will find recommendations for speakers on safe transport for the state EMS Symposium.  
  The committee will discuss safe transport more at the January meeting. |
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<td>Rich Wisniewski said interviews for the Midlands Inspector will be held soon.</td>
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<td>He said the Trauma Registry position has been posted and will close next week. This position is more research and analyst mainly with the trauma division, but also working with the data director and the EMS division.</td>
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<td>Mr. Wisniewski said the trauma registry will be discussed at the Trauma Advisory Council after this meeting. DHEC is waiting for the State Fiscal Accountability Authority to provide their recommendation from their legal counsel.</td>
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<td>Mr. Wisniewski reminded the group that the Pediatric Trauma Triage and Transport Protocol went into effect July 1, 2019. He said that his office has received reports that the certain agencies are inappropriately triaging pediatric patients so they can be transported to a closer facility. This is reported to be done so that ambulance can run other calls. He and Mrs. Moore looking at pediatric trauma patient care reports to ensure compliance. Mr. Wisniewski said that if anyone knew of this happening at an agency to please call the Bureau Office.</td>
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