

EMS For Children (EMSC) Committee Meeting
Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services
Embassy Suites, 2925 Emerywood Parkway, Richmond, VA 23294
November 14, 2024
1500-1700

Members Present:	Members Absent:	OEMS Staff:	Others:
Patrick McLaughlin, Chair	Jeremy Wampler	David P. Edwards	Bob Page
Tanya Trevilian	Barbara Kahler	Tim Perkins	Ali Akbar
Dusty Lynn	Annette Dobbs		Valeri Vagts
Mike Watkins	Joseph Koury		
Petra Connell			
Heidi Hooker			

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I. Call to order/Welcome:	The meeting was called to order at 1505.	
II. Introductions:		
III. Approval of Minutes from prior meeting:	Dr. McLaughlin asked that we review the minutes from our last meeting, held on August 1st, 2024 . Minutes were approved without additions or adjustments.	
IV. Chair’s Report: Patrick McLaughlin, MD	Dr. McLaughlin welcomed our small and dedicated group to our final EMSC committee meeting in 2024. He will continue to serve as the committee’s secretary and welcomes your updates and comments by email.	
V. OEMS Report:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tim Perkins reviewed the current state OEMS. 2. Funding has been secured for the EMSC Coordinator position. 	
VI. EMSC Report: David Edwards	EMSC Program report – see full report outlined below.	
VI. EMSC Family Representative Program Report: Petra Connell	EMSC Family report – Petra Connell; introduced special guest from Center for Family Involvement (CFI)/VA Family Voices <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The EIIC is advocating that Family representatives serve on National Committees, etc. 	

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	<p>2) EIIC is planning for the Annual EMSC Family representative meeting that is happening in the summer of 2025.</p>	
<p>VIIa. Committee Member Reports: Mike Watkins</p>	<p>Deputy Chief, Goochland County Department of Fire-Rescue and Emergency Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - High school EMS classes on-going. 	
<p>VIIb. Committee Member Reports: Tonya Trevilian</p>	<p>Manager, Pediatric Trauma Services Pediatric Outreach Coordinator Carilion Children’s Level 1 Pediatric Trauma Center Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital</p> <p>We completed our pediatric prehospital education sessions in October. EMS agencies we visited:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Roanoke City 2. Salem 3. Roanoke County 4. Botetourt County <p>We received feedback from the sessions and plan to make some changes based on that feedback in 2025.</p> <p>We also participated in the WVEMS education weekend and Pulaski County EMS pediatric education day.</p> <p>I recently had an opportunity to become an instructor for Pediatric Trauma Across the Care Continuum class (PTACC) and will work to bring it to Virginia in 2025! The class is for nurses outside of the ED - with an inpatient focus.</p>	
<p>VIIc. Committee Member Reports: Petra Connell</p>	<p>See above.</p>	
<p>VIII. Committee Member Reports: Dusty Lynn</p>	<p>Pediatric EMS Educator, UVA</p> <p>TJEMS is starting monthly Simulations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Infants: Doing simulations based on PI and EMS/ ED request. - Essentials of communication: ASL, ART. - Current Newsletter in approval stage- Send submissions for next newsletter. - Newborn Resuscitation for the Pre-hospital Provider classes as requested; email Dusty Lynn if interested. <p>“Z Con” Peds track: Shenandoah EMS Expo: March 13-15. Save the dates coming out soon! Topics include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pedi-Ed-Trics Pediatric Cardiology Newborn Resuscitation Pediatric MCI/ triage 	

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	Autism training available: ask Dusty if you are interested.	
IX. Public Comment:	No comments.	
X. Date of Next Meeting:	February 6, 2025 at 1500.	
XI. Adjournment		

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Virginia Department of Health
EMSC Committee of the State EMS Advisory Board**

EMS for Children (EMSC) Program Report (November 14, 2024)

Virginia EMS for Children (EMSC) program activities:

- The National Pediatric Readiness Project (NPRP) assessment of licensed EMS agencies that respond to 911 ended in August of 2024. Nationwide, the EMS agency response rate was 46%. Results and data from the assessment (national and Virginia) will be shared with the EMS Advisory Board and the EMSC Committee when it becomes available, which will probably be in December. The comprehensive survey sought to establish a baseline of EMS agency information to assist in ongoing efforts to improve pediatric readiness nationally. Currently, the intent is to repeat this assessment every 5 years.
- The Virginia EMS for Children (EMSC) program is continuing to participate in the Pediatric Readiness Recognition Programs Collaborative (PRRPC). This national collaborative is preparing states to establish both hospital and prehospital voluntary programs to recognize and celebrate a basic level of pediatric readiness.
- A limited supply of small (3-18 lbs.) ambulance child restraints is ready for distribution to EMS agencies with that need. Agency leaders with interest may contact David Edwards (david.edwards@vdh.virginia.gov) or Tim Perkins (tim.perkins@vdh.virginia.gov) to discuss or request.
- Regional Pediatric Training funded by the EMSC program, suspended for several months, is now ready to resume on a limited basis. Please let Pediatric Education for Prehospital Professionals (PEPP) instructors know that the EMSC Program has a supply of PEPP books to distribute for upcoming courses.

Key Events of the Upcoming Quarter:

- The Pediatric Emergency Care (PEC) Council of the National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO) will have a full virtual council meeting on November 19, 2024.

Please submit suggestions or questions related to the Virginia EMSC program to David P. Edwards via email (david.edwards@vdh.virginia.gov), or by calling 804-888-9144 (direct line).