



Pediatric Emergency Medical Advisory Committee

May 7, 2025 @ 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM

653 West Pratt Street - Room 212

Baltimore, MD 21201

In Person Meeting

| | | |
|--|---|---|
| Type of meeting: | Pediatric Emergency Medical Advisory Committee <i>PEMAC Business Meeting @ 9:30 AM – 12 Noon</i> <i>Networking Lunch 12:00 PM for those attending either meeting in person</i> EMSC Family Advisory Network Council - Meeting @ 12:30 – 3 PM | |
| Member & Liaison Attendees | Rupal Udeshi MD; Corina Noje MD; Steve White MD; Jennifer Guyther MD; Bruce Klein MD; Suzanna Martin, MD; Yonnia Waggoner RN; Scott Legore NRP; Lisa Opel RN; Lisa Wilson EMT; Richard High EMT; Jill Dannenfels RN; Jessica Williams RN; Laurel Moody RN; Cyndy Wright-Johnson RN; Jennifer Anders MD, Susanne Ogaitis-Jones MSPH CPSTI, | |
| Guests | Meg Stein NRP, Emily Dorosz RN, Reci High (FAN rep) | |
| RSVP regrets: | Karen O’Connell MD, Chris Truitt NRP, Jennifer Andrews NRP, Rob Carter RN NRP; Andrew Robertson NRP, Danielle Joy RN | |
| Agenda & Approved Minutes by Committee 7-2-2025 | | |
| 9:30 AM | Welcome & Introductions 1. Member Roll Call and brief introduction of visitors & guest 2. List of Documents, Liaison & Committee Reports | Cynthia Wright Johnson RN |
| 9:35 AM | PEMAC Business: 1. Review of March 5, 2025 Minutes: motion to approve by Laurel Moody, second by Lisa Wilson. Unanimous approval as written. 2. 2025 Meeting Schedule posted and e-appointments sent ★ July meeting will be followed by Pediatric EMS Protocol writing forum 3. Vacancy: EMS Educator & Region 1 Pediatric Medical Director 4. Membership requirement is attendance @ 3 in-person meetings | Rick High EMT/ Laurel Moody RN Cyndy Wright Johnson RN |
| 9:45 AM | PEMAC May 2025 Consent Agenda: 1. EMSC & Safe Kids Update – handout 2. Pediatric Readiness Update – handout 3. 2025 Educational Conference List – handout 4. CPS & OP Grant Update – handout 5. Injury Prevention updates & links listed within the agenda | EMSC Department Staff Team |
| 10:00 AM | Maryland Protocols for EMS Providers – 2025 2026 New protocols for discussion: (July 2026 implementation) 1. NEW: Critically Unstable Pediatric Patient (for those under 18 yoa) REVISION proposals for 2.4 was shared at the PRC committee with the recommendation to combine the adult and pediatric sections into one document with ALERTS for any differences. Combined protocol will facilitate teaching and scenario writing. For pediatrics, PEMAC recommends highlighting the airway assessment and procedures and removing emphasis on 12 lead EKG. 2. Pediatric Decision Tree – decision support tool was approved in concept by the PRC. There will be revisions from the 2017 Research protocol to have statewide implementation. 3. Droperidol for vomiting for patients greater than 13 yoa was discussed with support from PEMAC to move to Standing Order protocol. | Jen Anders MD Meg Stein NPR |

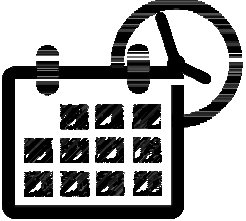
| | | |
|-----------------|---|---|
| | <p>4. PEMAC discussed the use of Epinephrine / Norepinephrine to support blood pressure for sepsis, TBI, after ROSC with the use of Epinephrine only with suspected spinal cord injury. [protocol 15.24]</p> <p>5. Suggestion received from EMS Champion to update the Newly Born protocols so that BLS and ALS sections match specific to timing of ventilation and when to start compressions. [Protocol 5.2 and 5.3]. A revised document will be drafted for July’s PEMAC meeting. Both PALS and NRP courses are due to be released in fall of 2025 and a new NeoEMS online training program is anticipated in the fall. Revised protocol will be cross checked with these texts and algorithms before final pages for the July 1 2026 MD Medical Protocols for EMS.</p> <p>6. All proposals for 2026 must be submitted prior to June 11, 2025 (Wednesday) for discussion at July 2, 2025 PEMAC meeting.</p> | |
| <p>10:30 AM</p> | <p>Maryland EMSC Department & SP Grant Updates: 2025 Forum calendar is finalized for all three champion groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 📁 PM 1.0 National Pediatric Readiness Project (NPRP) 📁 Pediatric Nurse Champion Forum – April In Person meeting focused on pediatric skills within simulation experiences and the Pediatric Facility Recognition Program application online format. 📁 Pediatric Physician Champion Collaborative Forum- April 30th (virtual) focused on Child Abuse assessment, diagnostics, and referrals with Dr. Wendy Lane. A model protocol will be shared from the Center for Hope’s Child Advocacy Center (Sinai and UMMS). The goal of this Collaborative is to have AAP and ACEP members interested in EMSC join forces into one committee or collaborative. MD EMSC is willing to provide the infrastructure and virtual meeting support. 📁 ENPC Course Scholarships: 25 scholarships are available to the pediatric champion Nurse in EDs or their designee. The administration will be a collaboration with MD ENA Pediatric Committee and MD EMSC. 📁 2025 planning: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pediatric competencies & Pediatric simulation 2. Pediatric Transfer checklist – for community hospitals work group and template for simulations based upon ENA by the Bay preconference. 📁 Summary of Joint EMS & ED Forums in EMS Region was provided through slide summary with a focus on joint training and joint simulation experiences 📁 PM 2.0 – Prehospital EMS Pediatric Readiness (NPPRP) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pediatric EMS Champions Forum –Spring In Person Forum (Critical Care Workshop & iSimulate Programming) April 23rd at HCDFR PSTA was well attended and the programming work time received positive feedback. The request is for more programming time with mentorship and for a shared “file” or “channel”. 2. PEPP instructor/ coordinator development and medical director development within courses for spring and fall are available with advanced planning. We anticipate the 5th Edition of PEPP in the late spring of 2026. 3. Focus on skills and scenarios rollout into the EMSOP and | <p>Cyndy Wright Johnson for Mary Ellen Wilson RN</p> <p>Jennifer Anders MD</p> <p>Mary Ellen Wilson RN</p> <p>Cyndy Wright Johnson RN for Danielle Joy RN NRP</p> |

| | | |
|-----------------|--|---|
| | <p>local training/ drills</p> <p>4. 2025 -2026 EMS Conferences plans have started with review of the evaluations from 2025.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ PaxRiver EMS Conference is planned for October in Charles County ☐ Winterfest is planning for the last weekend in January in Easton ☐ Miltenberger is planning for the second weekend in March at Rocky Gap ☐ ENA regional conferences are in August and November. <p>MIEMSS EMSC Updates and Current Projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 📁 BLS Committee no update 📁 ALS Committee no update 📁 Pediatric Reference Card & Posters <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Peds Reference Card & Posters – EMS / ED available 2. Pediatric Trauma Card – 5000 copies delivered 3. Pediatric Trauma & Burn Poster – ready to go to print <p>📁 EMSC All Grant Meeting has been postponed into 2026</p> <p>MIEMSS EMSC Department updates: Pediatric Facility Recognition update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 📁 Facility Recognition Process: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ↔ Application is online format: Sharefile & Smart Sheets ↔ April 3 and April 30 overview provided in Forums ↔ Application and Site visit on rolling basis throughout the year ↔ Next Step: “Office hours” and “FAQ” Document <p>Research and Pediatric DART - QI Metrics</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Research project update (CNH & Prince George’s) are shared at each Pediatric QIC. Both research protocols are enrolling patients. 2. Pediatric Metrics will be shared with MIEMSS QI Officers to encourage collaboration with EMS Pediatric Champions | <p>Cyndy Wright Johnson RN</p> <p>Jen Anders MD</p> |
| <p>11:00 AM</p> | <p>📁 PM 03: Family Centered Care Sub Committee</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Right Care Awards for 2025– Reviewed on April 7 2025 with 3 children receiving awards in 2025. The recommendation is to have the award nomination window open throughout the year. Online platform is read to launch after the press events in May. 2. FAN committee recruitment ongoing 3. FAN Meeting May 7, 2025 this afternoon will review the FAN Plan and discuss Steps to Safety details. 4. Steps to Safety – June 2025 @ MSFA Convention with decreased times this year 5. Update from National FAN (EIIC work) - none at this time. | <p>Lisa Wilson EMT</p> |
| <p>11:15 AM</p> | <p>📁 PM 04: Disaster Preparedness – there were no updates from the Regional HCCs at this meeting.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. TEEX Pediatric Course 439: UMMS Cap Region to host June 2025 & Carroll County in February 2026 2. National Pediatric Pandemic Network – Podcasts launched @ https://pedspandemicnetwork.org/ready-prep-go/ | <p>Rob Carter RN NRP</p> <p>Cyndy Wright Johnson RN</p> |

| | | |
|------------------------|--|---|
| <p>11:30 AM</p> | <p>Maryland Organizations & Committees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 📄 AAP Updates www.mdaap.org – no report 📄 ACEP Updates - www.mdacep.org – educational conference was held in April at UMMS 📄 ENA Updates - www.mdena.org – ENA national Day on the Hill was held on April 30 and ENA by the Bay was held in Annapolis May 1 & 2. Both Metro Baltimore and Mid Maryland will have conferences in August and November respectively. Registration will be through Eventbrite. 📄 SCHOOL HEALTH Updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 🔗 MDH and MSDE are updating the Management of Diabetes in Schools Guidelines and the Management of Anaphylaxis Guidelines in response to legislation passed in 2025. 🔗 Partnership with Marland AAP continues to offer the “Ask the Pediatrician” webinar series with the next session on May 19 at 3:00 PM. 🔗 MASHN is hosting a webinar on May 22: Diabetes Decoded: Tech, Tests & Treatment for Today’s School Nurse 🔗 May 29th webinar will be School based Strategies to Support Ashma Management 🔗 All healthcare provider forms are centrally located on the MDH School Health webpage: https://health.maryland.gov/phpa/mch/Pages/SCHOOLHEALTH.aspx 📄 Maryland Center for School Safety: MCSS PREpare 2025: School Safety at the Quarter Century conference is July 16 & 17 @ Turf Valley [https://schoolsafety.maryland.gov/] 📄 Critical Care Updates: no local updates. AAP NEC Conference will include a preconference focused on Medical Control for pediatric transport teams. 📄 Commercial Ambulance Service Advisory Committee Save the Date: February 26 & 27, 2026 for the Mid Atlantic Transport Conference in Maryland. Details to follow, call for speakers is open. 📄 Jurisdictional Affairs Committee (JAC @ MIEMSS): No report from JAC. Chris Truitt is leaving PEMAC after he recruits a replacement due to a well deserved promotion. Congratulations to Chris and thank you for your work on PEMAC and as a Pediatric Champion. | <p>Bruce Klein MD Suzanna Martin MD</p> <p>Yonnia Waggoner RN</p> <p>Laurel Moody RN</p> <p>Corina Noje MD</p> <p>Jill Dannensfelser RN</p> <p>Rick High EMT & Chris Truitt NRP</p> |
| <p>11:45 AM</p> | <p>Injury Prevention Sub Committee & Updates</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. EMSC: CPS & OP Healthcare Project (Maryland NHSO grant funded) cps@miemss.org <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 🔗 Webinar held yesterday “Bump Ahead: Ensuring Maternal & Fetal Safety on the Road” and will be archived on MIEMSS YouTube for future viewing. EMS, RN and CPST continue education were awarded. 🔗 July 30th: Special Transportation Considerations for Children workshop is open to CPST and to safety advocate. See Flyer attached. 🔗 Full report is also attached. 2. Safe Kids 2025 Meetings following PEMAC: Maryland SK September 3, 2025 PrevCon 2025 – October 15-18 2025 @ Gaylord National Harbor 3. Public Fire & Life Safety Educator Seminar – March 21st 2026 at MFRI College Park with a focus on Elderly Steps to Safety for fire and fall prevention. | <p>Susanne Ogaitis Jones MSPH</p> <p>Cyndy Wright Johnson RN</p> |

| | | |
|----------|---|-----------|
| | <p>4. Mid-Atlantic Life Safety Conference – October 24, 2025 @ Doubletree Annapolis (new location and date)</p> <p>5. Maryland Risk Watch/ MSFA –Full typed report is available</p> <p>6. Partnership for Safer Maryland www.safermaryland.org Annual meeting is Wednesday May 21, 2025 10AM – 12PM</p> <p>7. TraumaNET – https://www.maryland-traumanet.com/ - During EMS week there will be a series of Stop The Bleed trainings across the state.</p> | |
| 11:50 AM | Old Business – none | Committee |
| 11:55 AM | New Business - none for this meeting | Committee |
| 12:00 PM | Adjournment & Networking | Committee |

Next Meeting July 2, 2025 @ MIEMSS In Person Only
9:30 – 12:00 Noon PEMAC Business Meeting with
12:30 – 3:00 PM Protocol Development & Implementation Forum

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|
| 12:30 – 3:00 PM | Family Advisory Network Council Meeting | All are welcome |
| MSC Meetings and Education | <p>Pediatric EMS Champion Forums Pediatric Nurse Champion Forums Pediatric Physician Champion Forums</p> <p><i>2025 Schedule posted on the Maryland EMSC Pediatric Readiness website:</i></p> <p>https://www.miemss.org/home/EMS-for-Children/Pediatric-Readiness</p> |  |

PEMAC 2025 Dates

Wednesday January 29, 2025 – NEW Date
12:30 – 3:00 PM PEMAC Business Meeting
12:00 Noon networking with the Protocol Review Committee
Wednesday March 5, 2025
9:30 – 12:00 Noon PEMAC Business Meeting
12:30 – 3:00 PM Safe Kids Maryland State Meeting
Wednesday May 7, 2025
[In Person Meeting \(no virtual option\)](#)
9:30 – 12:00 Noon PEMAC Business Meeting
12:30 – 3:00 PM Family Advisory Network Meeting

Wednesday July 2, 2025
9:30 – 12:00 Noon PEMAC Business Meeting
12:30 – 2:00 PM Forum focused on Protocol Writing

Wednesday September 3, 2025
9:30 – 12:00 Noon PEMAC Business Meeting
12:30 – 3:00 PM Safe Kids Maryland State Meeting

Wednesday November 5, 2025
[In Person Meeting](#)
9:30 – 12:00 Noon PEMAC Business Meeting
12:30 – 3:00 PM 19th Annual EMS for Children Research Forum

State PEMAC meetings are held at the MIEMSS Central Office. If you would like to participate through web base meeting, a recurring GoToMeeting link has been created except for the May annual in person meeting. In-person attendance is required at 50% meetings annually to meet the EMSC State Partnership Grant metrics.



Emergency Medical Services for Children

Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems



Maryland EMS for Children Department Update: May 2025 Update

Advocacy:

➤ Prevention Messages:

May is full of Observances and Safety messaging

- May 1st – National Heatstroke Prevention Day & CPS Technician Month
- Bike Safety Month - <https://zerodeathsmd.gov/road-safety/pedestrian-bicyclist-safety/>
- Boating and Water Safety - <https://safeboatingcampaign.com/>
- EMS Week – <https://emsweek.org/>
- EMSC Day - <https://emscimprovement.center/domains/prehospital-care/ems-week/>
- Trauma Awareness Month - <https://www.amtrauma.org/>

June/ Summer safety messaging will focus on many travel & recreation messages

- National Safety Council has resources for the entire summer - <https://www.nsc.org/>
- Water Safety Resources include:
<https://dnr.maryland.gov/nrp/Pages/BoatingSafety/home.aspx>
<https://www.poolsafely.gov/>
- Firework Safety resources include:
<https://www.cps.gov/Safety-Education/Safety-Education-Centers/Fireworks>
<https://www.nfpa.org/education-and-research/home-fire-safety/fireworks>

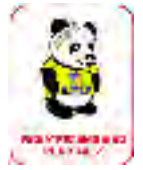
Pediatric Education EMS and Emergency Department Professionals:

- Please see the new **Pediatric Readiness Program Update** (page 2)
- Pediatric HPCPR 2024 Version (updated with protocols & new science) is posted in the Online Training Center: <https://www.emsonlinetraining.org/>
- 2026 Conference planning has started. Please email topics and speaker suggestions pepp@miemss.org

| | |
|--|--|
| | <p>National EMSC Updates:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> EMS Assessment on Pediatric Readiness- results have been shared with the Pediatric EMS Champions, waiting on state and national infographics from HRSA. EMSC EIIC: EMSC Reauthorization Act (HR6960) has been signed into law renewing for 5 years. EIIC Webinar: May 21st 4pm CT “Pediatric Prehospital Seizures: Evidence-Based Practice & Future Directions. https://dellmed-utexas.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_W4rxnX9nTkOzRmhxdaVCMQ#/registration EMSC EDC: Public Prehospital Pediatric Quality Measures Dashboard (NEMESIS) https://nemesis.org/public-prehospital-pediatric-quality-measures-dashboard/ PECARN: Pilot study: Evaluating TXA in Children with Traumatic Injuries (TIC-TOC) https://pecarn.org/ |
| | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Pediatric Pandemic Network: https://pedspanemicnetwork.org/news/new-report-congress-childrens-physical-mental-health-care-needs/ Pediatric Disaster Centers for Excellence have a website that will have products developed by the three ASPR funded regions. https://www.pediatricdisaster.org/ |
| | <p>Maryland EMSC Updates:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> EMSC State Partnership Grant 2023-2027: focuses on Pediatric Readiness criteria and resources for hospitals and EMS, pediatric specific disasters planning, and family engagement that represent Maryland’s children and their families. FAN: Committee is expanding and welcome new members. Right Care award’s were reviewed with three children to receive awards in May. New page of EMSC Web resources: https://www.miemss.org/home/EMS-for-Children/Pediatric-Readiness |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safe Kids Maryland & Risk Watch Maryland Update: “Steps to Safety” interactive displays @ MSFA Convention June 2025 in O.C. Volunteers welcome! EMSC FAN Council lead activity & Safe Kids grant for helmets. CPS Healthcare Project: CPS Technician courses for 2025 are being set up and will be posted @ https://cert.safekids.org/become-tech . Specific training is available - contact cps@miemss.org. |



Pediatric Readiness Program & Education Update May 2025



Pediatric EMS Champion Update

- 📺 Pediatric **EMS Champion** Forum held April 23, 2025
 - Forum held with positive feedback. Representation from 19 of the 28 jurisdictions
 - Content included a review of the Pediatric Readiness workshop skills stations and review of Deteriorating Medical Patient lecture for future use by Pediatric EMS Champions.
 - Discussion about education needs for distal femur IO protocol addition.
 - iSimulate training also provided for Champions.
 - Next forum will be held **Wed, July 23, 2025 from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Joint EMS & RN**

Pediatric Nurse Champion Update

- 📺 Pediatric **Nurse Champion** Forum held April 3, 2025 @ UMMS BWMC
 - Approximately 20 ED's represented. Topics included poison prevention education, models of pediatric orientation in community ED, nursing simulations in ED, Pediatric Facility Recognition program process
 - Sharefile with ED simulations for Head injury/Child Maltreatment and Sepsis
 - Next forum will be **Wed, July 23, 2025 from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Joint EMS & RN**
- 📺 ENPC Course scholarships for Pediatric ED Champions (or designee) are available.

Pediatric Physician/APP Champion Update

- 📺 Pediatric **Physician/APP Champion** Forum held April 30th from 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM featuring an update on Child Abuse Screening and Treatment in the ED
- 📺 Next forum will be **virtual July 30th from 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM**

Joint EMS & Nurse Champions Forums

- 📺 Four regional forums held to promote collaboration on joint projects and enhance Champion networking. Summary of recommendations includes:
 - Access to joint contact list for ongoing networking
 - Awareness of shared educational resources and equipment available for loan
 - Shared calendar to promote educational activities
- 📺 Future collaborations discussed include mock codes, regional grand rounds/case reviews, partnering for educational competency days as well as for community outreach.

Pediatric Education Updates

- Pediatric Reference poster and Pediatric Reference Cards have been distributed to through EMS and ED Nurse Champions. Additional copies are available upon request.
- Pediatric Trauma and Burn Reference Cards are now available upon request.
- Pediatric Trauma and Burn Poster is in final editing to go print in early May.





Maryland EMS For Children

2025 EMS, EMSC & Life Safety Educational Conferences



Winterfest EMS Conference: January 31 – February 2, 2025
Easton High School in Easton, Maryland
Pediatric Readiness Preconference held at Chesapeake College

Mid-Atlantic Transport Conference: February 27 & 28, 2025
Maritime Conference Center in Baltimore MD

Miltenberger Emergency Services Seminar: March 7 & 8, 2025
Rocky Gap Casino & Resort in Flintstone, Maryland
Pediatric Readiness Preconference held at Rocky Gap

Public Fire and Life Safety Educator Seminar: March 22, 2025
MFRI HQ in College Park, Maryland

Maryland Highway Safety Summit: April 29, 2025
Hilton Baltimore BWI Hotel

Maryland ENA by the Bay State Conference May 1 & 2, 2025
Akerson Tower @ the US Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium

★ POINT/COUNTERPOINT XLII 2025: May 15-16, 2025
Maryland Committee on Trauma Conference in Baltimore, MD
<https://mdcot.com/register/point-counterpoint-2025/>

★ 2025 Spring Topics in EMS: May 23, 2025
Virtual Conference hosted by Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center
<https://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/johns-hopkins-bayview/education-training/ems-education>

PREPARE 2025: School Safety Conference July 16 & 17, 2025
Turf Vally Resort, Ellicott City MD (free – encourage 2 per agency)
<https://inevent.com/en/MCSS/Prepare2025/form.php>

2025 Topics in Trauma Conference: September 19, 2025
Tidalhealth Education Center in Salisbury, Maryland
Register will be online at www.tidalhealth.org/trauma-conference

66th MidAtlantic Life Safety Conference: October 24, 2025
Doubletree Hotel in Annapolis, Maryland
For more information, visit <https://www.fabscom.org>

Mid Maryland ENA Memorial Conference: November 7, 2025
Holy Cross Hospital in Silver Spring, Maryland
More information and registration link coming over the summer



This star indicates a new conference posting. More conferences & seminars will be added as dates are finalized

Please email educational event dates to the EMSC office at pepp@miemss.org.

To reach the Maryland EMSC office, please call 410-706-1758.

Email: Education to pepp@miemss.org and CPS & OP information to cps@miemss.org

As of May 6, 2025



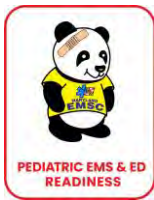
CPS & OP Healthcare Project
EMS for Children Program @ MIEMSS
sogaitisjones@miemss.org
www.miemss.org/home/emsc/cps

PEMAC UPDATE – May 7, 2025
The CPS & OP Healthcare Project

- Held an interactive display on occupant protection at the Miltenberger EMS Conference on May 8.
- Attended the national Lifesavers Traffic Safety Conference in Long Beach, CA in March and gave a presentation on Maryland's CPS and OP outreach to healthcare. Over 100 attended.
- Conducted a display for the University of Maryland at Baltimore student/staff Wellness Day on April 8.
- Held an interactive display on child passenger safety and occupant protection at the Maryland Emergency Nursing Association Conference on May 2.
- Conducted a CPS educational program and training on the Car Seats for Non-Emergency Transport Program at Hoopers Island VFD. About 22 attended.
- Conducted an online training for Luminis Anne Arundel Medical Center on April 10th for about 30 maternal and child health nurses.
- Conducted a webinar, "Bump Ahead: Ensuring Maternal and Fetal Safety on the Road" on May 6. 160 pre-registered. Obtained continuing education for EMS, Maryland nurses and CPSTs.
- Attended several meetings associated with the Maryland Highway Safety Office: the Occupant Protection Area Emphasis Meeting on 4/11, the State Highway Safety Planning workshop on 4/15, and the Highway Safety Summit on 4/29. Conducted a display on CPS & OP along with MD Kids in Safety Seats at the Summit.
- Had a successful site visit/grant review by MHSO on April 28th.
- Started loaning out the outdoor temperature displays to educate on pediatric vehicular heatstroke; Project Coordinator was asked by MHSO to be the spokesperson at a display/press event on May 1st, and WBAL/TV showed a segment on the subject.
- Continued to provide car seats for needy families, giving out 29 car seats to 10 different hospitals. Receiving agencies are primarily mother-baby units in hospitals, but also EDs, NICUs, Peds, and Safe Kids-Maryland partners.
- Helped at a seat checks on March 25 at Long Green VFD.

- ↪ The promotional flyers for regional car seat checks are available from MD KISS, online at: MDH.kiss@maryland.gov
- ↪ CPS Technician certification courses for 2025 are posted and registration is open. Go to www.cert.safekids.org for details or to sign up.
- ↪ This grant can pay registration fees for healthcare clinicians who apply & are pre-approved.

For information, contact Susanne Ogaitis-Jones, MSPH, CHES, CPST/I
cps@miemss.org or sogaitisjones@miemss.org, Phone: 410-706-8647



Maryland EMS For Children

2025 EMS, EMSC & Life Safety Educational Conferences



Winterfest EMS Conference: January 31 – February 2, 2025
Easton High School in Easton, Maryland
Pediatric Readiness Preconference held at Chesapeake College

Mid-Atlantic Transport Conference: February 27 & 28, 2025
Maritime Conference Center in Baltimore MD

Miltenberger Emergency Services Seminar: March 7 & 8, 2025
Rocky Gap Casino & Resort in Flintstone, Maryland
Pediatric Readiness Preconference held at Rocky Gap

Public Fire and Life Safety Educator Seminar: March 22, 2025
MFRI HQ in College Park, Maryland

Maryland Highway Safety Summit: April 29, 2025
Hilton Baltimore BWI Hotel

Maryland ENA by the Bay State Conference May 1 & 2, 2025
Akerson Tower @ the US Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium

★ POINT/COUNTERPOINT XLII 2025: May 15-16, 2025
Maryland Committee on Trauma Conference in Baltimore, MD
<https://mdcot.com/register/point-counterpoint-2025/>

★ 2025 Spring Topics in EMS: May 23, 2025
Virtual Conference hosted by Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center
<https://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/johns-hopkins-bayview/education-training/ems-education>

PREPARE 2025: School Safety Conference July 16 & 17, 2025
Turf Vally Resort, Ellicott City MD (free – encourage 2 per agency)
<https://inevent.com/en/MCSS/Prepare2025/form.php>

2025 Topics in Trauma Conference: September 19, 2025
Tidalhealth Education Center in Salisbury, Maryland
Register will be online at www.tidalhealth.org/trauma-conference

66th MidAtlantic Life Safety Conference: October 24, 2025
Doubletree Hotel in Annapolis, Maryland
For more information, visit <https://www.fabscom.org>

Mid Maryland ENA Memorial Conference: November 7, 2025
Holy Cross Hospital in Silver Spring, Maryland
More information and registration link coming over the summer



This star indicates a new conference posting. More conferences & seminars will be added as dates are finalized

Please email educational event dates to the EMSC office at pepp@miemss.org.

To reach the Maryland EMSC office, please call 410-706-1758.

Email: Education to pepp@miemss.org and CPS & OP information to cps@miemss.org

As of May 6, 2025



State of Maryland
Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems

Wes W. Moore
Governor

Clay B. Stamp
Chairman EMS Board

Theodore R. Delbridge, MD, MPH
Executive Director

To: EMS Base Station Coordinators
EMS Base Station Medical Directors
EMS Highest Jurisdictional Officials
EMS Medical Directors

From: Theodore R. Delbridge, MD, MPH

Date: May 6, 2025

Re: Emergency Department Advisory System

In the coming weeks, MIEMSS will begin the rollout of the Emergency Department Advisory System (EDAS), which will soon replace the County-Hospital Alert Tracking System (CHATS). EDAS is a web-based solution that will utilize inputs from computer-aided dispatch systems via ImageTrend™ and the Maryland Emergency Medical Resource Alert Database (MEMRAD) to provide an overview of the state's EMS system with specific regard to emergency department capacities. As opposed to CHATS, which provides a subjective assessment of emergency department "busyness," EDAS will convey an objective assessment based on emergency departments' patient census relative to pre-determined capacities. Four levels will be reported:

Level 1: 0 – 75% occupied

Level 2: 76 -100% occupied

Level 3: 101 – 130% occupied

Level 4: 131% and above occupied

The emergency department staff will be able to periodically update the patient census, taking only a moment using the EDAS module of MEMRAD.

Hospital information will also indicate "Code Black" (replacing "mini-disaster"), "Trauma Bypass," "Trauma Capacity Advisory," "STEMI Unavailable," "Stroke Unavailable," and "Re-Route," as applicable.

Additionally, EDAS will incorporate what is currently the at-Hospital Ambulance Dashboard, with an update to also indicate the number of ambulances currently en route to each facility.

System users will be able to filter the emergency departments they wish to view, so they can focus on those of routine interest. It is our hope that, with objective data, EMS clinicians will have improved abilities to make the best possible decisions for their patients and the system.

Over the next few weeks, please expect additional opportunities to learn more about EDAS, and how it works. In the meantime, you can see it in development mode (i.e., not real data) at <https://edas.miemss.org>.

After EDAS is up and running, we will set a date to retire CHATS. Regulations, policies, and procedures that reference CHATS will default to EDAS, as appropriate, or become obsolete.

Thank you.