# January 2024 Nurse & Physician Pediatric Champion Newsletter





### Disaster Preparedness: Pediatric Tabletop Exercise Resource Kit

American Academy of Pediatrics offers <u>step-by-step guidance</u> to prepare for and implement a pediatric tabletop exercise in a community. Templates are provided for agendas, email invitations, and follow-up work.

### **Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)**

Hospitals are considered critical infrastructure. CISA supports protection, prevent, mitigation, response, and recovery efforts for threats and hazards impacting critical infrastructure. CISA conducts and integrates infrastructure assessments and analysis, including dependencies and cascading effects, on critical infrastructure to influence risk management decisions and investments. Region 10 Fact Sheet

## **HERO (Health Emergency Ready Oregon) Kids Registry**

The <u>HERO Kids Registry</u> was designed by parents and medical professionals working together to improve the emergency medical experience for **any** Oregon child or young adult through age 26. The HERO Kids Registry allows hospital ED providers quick and easy access to a child's or young adult's medical history and unique needs. Check out the **new** HERO Kids <u>one-minute videos</u> available in English and Spanish.

## Is your emergency department pediatric ready?

**83%** of children who need emergency care present first at an ED that is not a specialized pediatric facility. Research shows that improving pediatric readiness in EDs improves outcomes for children.

Check your pediatric readiness today at <a href="https://www.pedsready.org/">https://www.pedsready.org/</a>. You may complete the assessment as many times as you like. It is for your records and purposes only. You will receive an emailed gap report summary with overall pediatric readiness score and answers to scored questions.

# **Pediatric Readiness Program Resources**

The Pediatric Readiness Program (<a href="www.pedsreadyprogram.org">www.pedsreadyprogram.org</a>) is a not-for-profit, collaborative effort to promote enhanced pediatric emergency care through quality improvement work, education, and knowledge sharing among emergency departments who care for kids across the state of Oregon and Southwest Washington.

Nurse and physician Pediatric Champions receive a monthly email with education sessions and pediatric grand rounds. There are **47** recorded sessions posted on the *Education* page. CME and CE are available up to 3 months after live session.

See the *Resource Sharing* page for clinical pathways, job aids, point of care references, policies and more. See the *Quality Improvement* page for pain and sedation, pediatric readiness, weight in kilograms, and weight-based dosing tools.

### **Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) Program Resources**

The EMSC Program (<u>www.oregonemsc.org</u>) strengthens the Oregon EMS system through education, resources, and quality improvement initiatives. The EMSC Program supports EMS agency and hospital pediatric readiness efforts to become "Everyday Ready" to treat kids.

See the *Hospital Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinator* section for resources like the <u>Disaster Preparedness Toolkit</u>, <u>ED Pediatric Readiness Checklist</u>, and <u>Pediatric Surge</u>.

## **EMSC Advisory Committee Meeting**

January 18, 2024 | 0900-1200

Virtual: Zoom Meeting Link | Meeting ID: 161 444 3843 | Passcode: 009319 This is a public meeting and an opportunity to learn about EMSC Program activities.

Committee member vacancy: Tribal EMS representative Apply HERE & Learn More About the Committee HERE