

Emergency Medical Services for Children Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems



Bike Safety Resource Update: Summer 2022



MHSO Bike Helmet Safety Grant

The project is funded by MHSO to distribute bike safety educational information and bike helmets for all ages through Safe Kids Coalitions & community partners. Over the past five years, the project partnered with 18 different coalitions & partners to distribute over 4100 bike helmets across Maryland. Some are distributed in hospital EDs after a crash, some are distributed during a 'drive through' COVID-19 safe health safety event, and some are distributed in the community when a child is found without a bike helmet.



An indoor-outdoor instructional tool was created in spring 2020 with the "Right Fit" directions on a large magnet that can be placed in key locations at home, school, and community locations. These magnets are to be distributed with each helmet as a reminder.

Three bike safety posters are available for download on the project webpage: http://www.miemss.org/home/bike-safety-project.

"Helmet Fit Test"

"Be Seen Be Safe"

"Protect Your Brain"

To request copies of the poster email: bikesafety@miemss.org.











"The Helmet Fit Test Checklist" double-sided laminated card is available in quantities to be used when doing a fit test when distributing helmets. Heavy card stock intended to be distributed to clients.

To request copies of the card email: bikesafetv@miemss.org.



Complete table top displays including <u>Bike Helmet Fit</u>, <u>Be Seen and Be Safe</u> and <u>Brain Functions</u> signs have been provided to 17 Safe Kids Coalitions and community partners, participating trauma centers, and there are a few more available for those involved in bike safety community education.