



Pediatric Emergency Medical Advisory Committee

November 5, 2025 @ 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM

653 West Pratt Street - Room 212

Baltimore, MD 21201

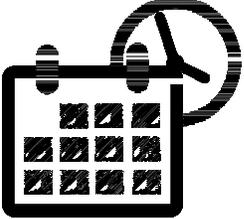
In Person Meeting

Type of meeting:	Pediatric Emergency Medical Advisory Committee Business meeting 9:30 AM -12:00 PM 19th Annual Maryland EMSC Research Forum 12:30 PM – 3:00 PM	
	Option to join remotely for this meeting is the standard PEMAC link, see below: Web & Audio: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/428040181 Phone: 1 (786) 535-3211 Access Code: 428-040-181	
	Afternoon EMSC Research Forum unique link: https://meet.goto.com/CynthiaWrightJohnson/maryland_emsc_november_research_forum Phone: +1 (872) 240-3212 Access Code: 923-894-853	
Member & Liaison Attendees	Cyndy Wright Johnson RN, Danielle Joy RN, Mary Ellen Wilson RN, Susanne Ogaitis-Jones MSPH, Corina Noje MD, Steve White MD, Jennifer Guyther MD, Ryan Stacey NRP, Jill Dannenfelser RN, Laurel Moody RN	
Virtual:	Karen O’Connell MD, Liz Berg RN, Bruce Klein MD, Scott Legore NRP	
Guests:	Meg Stein NRP, Kathy Brown MD, Emily Dorosz RN, Tim Chizmar MD Kyle Fratta MD, Axel Ivander MD, Keith Kleinman MD, Ava Omidvar MD, Caleb Ward MB BChir, Jessica Williams MD, Tim Chizmar MD	
RSVP regrets:	Suzanna Martin MD, Lisa Opel RN, Lisa Wilson EMT, Rich High EMT, Rob Carter RN NRP, Jen Anders MD	
	Agenda and Approved Minutes	
9:30 AM	Welcome & Introductions 1. Member Roll Call and brief introduction of visitors & guest 2. List of Documents, Liaison & Committee Reports 3. Volunteer present in Room 212 to monitor the CHAT – Mary Ellen Wilson.	Cynthia Wright Johnson RN
9:35 AM	PEMAC Business: 1. Review of September 2025 Minutes- motion to approve by Jen Guyther MD, seconded by Steve White MD and unanimously approved. 2. 2026 Meeting Schedule posted and e-appointments have been sent to all committee members. January 7 th meeting will be held at MIEMSS with staff with the Virtual Option encouraged for all with travel. May 6 th 2026 is the annual In Person Only meeting with FAN Advisory Council. 3. Vacancy: Region 1 Pediatric Medical Director 4. Membership requirement is attendance @ 3 in-person meetings	Laurel Moody RN Cyndy Wright Johnson RN
9:45 AM	PEMAC November 2025 Consent Agenda: 1. EMSC & Safe Kids Update – handout 2. Pediatric Readiness Update – handout 3. 2025-2026 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 EMSC Department & SP Grant Updates: State Update: 1. EMSC EDC has released state NPPRP aggregate data. Maryland NPPRP Median Score was 90 and Average Score was 84. We still await national results for benchmarking.	Cyndy Wright Johnson RN

	<p>Maryland Pediatric EMS Champions are focused on sharing resources for local training with skills and scenarios.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2026 Forum calendar for all three champion groups is finalized and attached in the combined handout. NPRP (Hospital) Survey will launch in March 2026 based upon new AAP/ACEP/ENA Policy Statement and Technical Report (pending publication soon) MD EMSC will be hosting a Pediatric Readiness Seminar on Wednesday February 25, 2026 at MITAGS in Linthicum. Inperson full day agenda with lectures & skill stations. Registration is required and will be free this year. DC EMSC is hosting an EMS focused Pediatric Conference in May at the Inventa Silver Spring. May 7, 2026. Details - soon. <p>📍 PM 1.0 National Pediatric Readiness Project (NPRP) –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2026 national NPRP Hospital Assessment planned (HRSA/EMSC) for March through May 2026. More details are anticipated from EIIC and EDC later this winter. Mary Ellen is updating the contact lists for the 49 emergency departments. Pediatric Nurse Champion Forum held on Oct 8th provided a didactic presentation on Pediatric Burn followed by cases and Q&A about referrals and initial care. Pediatric Physician Champion Forum on Oct 29th focused on the care and clinical pathways for Respiratory Focus with pre forum survey (virtual). ENPC Course Scholarships – remain available through the Pediatric ED Nurse Champions. Pending Projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Pediatric competencies & Pediatric simulation ➤ Pediatric Transfer checklist – for community hospitals work group and template for simulations ➤ Newly Born reference poster – volunteer to review needed. <p>📍 PM 2.0 – Prehospital EMS Pediatric Readiness (NPPRP)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Pediatric EMS Champions Forum –Fall In Person Forum October 22, 2025 at MIEMSS HQ with positive feedback and requests for more simulation training. iSimulate community (online for scenarios) is being set up based upon the Trauma and Medical scenarios the Champions wrote and taught at Winterfest and Miltenberger for the past two years. PEPP instructor/ coordinator development and medical director development within courses – looking forward to PEPP 5th edition in Spring 2026. Focus on skills and scenarios rollout into the EMSOP and local training/ drills New Champion update will be share in January. QCPR manikin use and update will be held this fall in all six locations. 	<p>Mary Ellen Wilson RN</p> <p>Jennifer Anders MD</p> <p>Danielle Joy RN NRP</p>
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	<p>MIEMSS EMSC Updates and Current Projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 📎 BLS Committee update- no report 📎 ALS Committee update – no report, ongoing identification of State Content. 📎 Pediatric Reference Card & Posters <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Peds Reference Card & Posters – EMS / ED available 2. Pediatric Trauma Card – distribution to ED to guide assessment, treatment and diagnostic procedures 3. Pediatric Trauma & Burn Poster <p>MIEMSS EMSC Department updates:</p> <p>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 Office Hours held monthly & Update to the website page Application and Site visit on rolling basis throughout the year <p>Research and Pediatric DART - QI Metrics</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Research project update (CNH & Prince George’s) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. PediDOSE – aged based protocol continues to be implemented through Summer 2026. Based upon Data & Safety Monitoring Board review, the research protocol is changing the lower age limit from 12 months to 6 months across the study. PEMAC concurs with this recommendation and it will be forward to the PRC and EMS Board as part of the update on this Research Protocol. b. PediPART – phase one continues with BVM compared to SGA in all sites. 2. Pediatric Metrics – Trauma QI project under development with the Pediatric EMS Champions. 	<p>Danielle Joy RN NRP</p> <p>Cyndy Wright Johnson RN</p> <p>Cyndy Wright Johnson for Jen Anders MD</p>
<p>10:30 AM</p>	<p>📎 PM 03: Family Centered Care Sub Committee</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Right Care Awards for 2026– application OPEN and ongoing See new flyer, currently very few nominations have been received. 2. FAN committee recruitment ongoing 3. 2025-2026 funding for new material on Park, Look, Lock & Safe Sleep will be finalized in early 2026. 4. Planning for MSFA Steps to Safety 2026 will start in early spring 5. Update from National FAN (EICC work) – meetings cancelled with the federal office closed. 	<p>Lisa Wilson EMT</p>
<p>10:45 AM</p>	<p>📎 PM 04: Disaster Preparedness: no updates from the regional HCCs at this time.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Region 3 Pediatric Subcommittee HCC 2. Region 1 & 2 3. Region 4 4. Region 5 5. TEEX Pediatric Course 439: Carroll County in February 2026 with registration open. 6. 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>11:00 AM</p>	<p>Maryland Protocols for EMS Providers</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2025 Protocols: https://www.miemss.org/home/Portals/0/Docs/Guidelines_Protocols/MD-Medical-Protocols-2025-Hyperlinked-HR-05062025.pdf <p>2026 New protocols for discussion: (July 2026 implementation)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Newly Born Resuscitation – align ALS sequencing and language to BLS & review in fall with 9th edition of NRP release. Discussion focused on noting the pulse ox should be taken on the right hand, reference to Glucose in the formulary, Noting AEDs are not to be used on newly born, and potential to realign the columns and move the reference to a second page. Pilot Protocol: Whole Blood Transfusion – review age defined tachycardia (14.5 page 341). There will be a separate meeting with all the EMSOP utilizing this Pilot protocol to discuss vital sign parameters, medications, and benchmarking outcomes. Overdose Protocol – consideration of Zofran use. Proposal is to make add contraindication for OD. And considerations for oral use in pediatrics, an age parameter is needed. PEMAC Protocol subcommittee reviewed inquire about Aspirin for under 18 yoa and recommended protocol remain as written. Consults for rare cases are always welcome at Pediatric Base Stations. PEMAC member concur with this recommendation. Multi Modal Pain management protocol was introduced at PRC, PEMAC subcommittee reviewed and waiting on new version of proposal. Norepinephrine protocol – awaiting revised version. Glucagon – discussion for BLS scope of practice with JAC committee to consider feasibility from training and funding standpoints. Crush Protocol – newly submitted, await revisions. FYI: Pediatrics added to Critically Unstable Patient for all ages that expands 2.4 –language combines pediatric and adult protocol with specific section for pediatrics Seizure protocol consideration of the use of Ketamine with the proposal to use IN/IM routes for prolonged seizures that do not respond to other medications. Online Consultation and 100% QA review are recommended. The concern is for long transport with refractory seizures. FYI: Consolidation of some Medical Protocols with both Adult and Pediatric 	<p>Jen Anders MD Meg Stein NRP</p>
<p>11:30 AM</p>	<p>Maryland Organizations & Committees : based upon time at todays meeting needed for protocols, the updates were deferred to January meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 📄 AAP Updates www.mdaap.org 📄 ACEP Updates - www.mdacep.org 📄 ENA Updates - www.mdena.org 📄 SCHOOL HEALTH Updates: 📄 Maryland Center for School Safety: 	<p>Bruce Klein MD Suzanna Martin MD Yonnia Waggoner RN Laurel Moody RN</p> <p>Liz Berg RN</p> <p>Jill Dannensfelser RN</p>

	https://schoolsafety.maryland.gov/ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 📎 Critical Care Updates 📎 Commercial Ambulance Service Advisory Committee 📎 Jurisdictional Affairs Committee (JAC @ MIEMSS) Please see written summary of submitted reports	Rick High EMT & Chris Truitt NRP
11:45 AM	Injury Prevention Sub Committee & Updates <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. EMSC: CPS & OP Healthcare Project (Maryland DOT cps@miemss.org. Susanne shared available resources and sign up process handout for the Outdoor temperature display. Life Saver Conference will be in Baltimore this April, national conference that moves around the country. EMSC CPS project is funded by MHSO to have 5 EMS/ ED clinicians attend. 2. Safe Kids 2025 Meetings following PEMAC: PrevCon 2025 – October 15-18 2025 @ Gaylord National Harbor was well attended and included presentations and poster sessions from around the world. 3. Public Fire & Life Safety Educator Seminar – March 21st 2026 at MFRI College Park. Online registration coming soon. 4. Mid-Atlantic Life Safety Conference – October 24, 2025 @ Doubletree Annapolis was successful with the keynote from DC Fire Chief John Donnelly Sr sharing lessons learned about combine command structures during the plane and helicopter crash in the Potomac January 2024. Communication is key. 5. Maryland Risk Watch/ MSFA –Full typed report is available 6. Partnership for Safer Maryland www.safermaryland.org 7. TraumaNET – https://www.maryland-traumanet.com/ 	Susanne Ogaitis Jones MSPH Cyndy Wright Johnson RN
11:50 AM	Old Business none raised or discussed.	Committee
11:55 AM	New Business <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Publications: <u>Impact of a Pediatric Prehospital Destination Decision Support Tool (PDTree) on Emergency Medical Services Transport Patterns and Destination Choice (9/2025 Prehospital Emergency Care)</u> https://doi.org/10.1080/10903127.2025.2551172 2. Honors and Awards 3. Other new business 	Committee
12:00 PM	Adjournment & Networking	Committee
12:30 PM – 3:00 PM	Afternoon Research Forum unique link: https://meet.goto.com/CynthiaWrightJohnson/maryland_emsc_november_research_forum Phone: +1 (872) 240-3212 Access Code: 923-894-853	
Next Meeting: January 7, 2026 @ MIEMSS 9:30 – 12:00 Noon PEMAC Business Meeting 12:30 – 2:00 PM Pediatric EMS Champion Forum		
EMSC Meetings and Education	Pediatric EMS Champion Forums Pediatric Nurse Champion Forums Pediatric Physician Champion Forums 2026 Schedule posted on the Maryland EMSC Pediatric Readiness website: https://www.miemss.org/home/EMS-for-Children/Pediatric-Readiness	

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: November 2025 Update

Advocacy: Prevention Messaging for Fall:

🏠 November Observances:

Carbon Monoxide Awareness - <https://www.coalarmssavelives.com/> & <https://www.ncoaa.us/>
Drowsy Driving Awareness - <https://www.nhtsa.gov/risky-driving/drowsy-driving> & <https://www.thensf.org/drowsy-driving-prevention/>

🏠 December Observances:

Holiday Safety – <https://www.safekids.org/tip/toy-safety-tips> & <https://www.cpsc.gov/Safety-Education/Safety-Education-Centers/Holiday-Safety> & <https://www.nfpa.org/education-and-research/home-fire-safety/winter-holidays>
Winter Safety - <https://www.weather.gov/dmx/wintersafety> & <https://www.weather.gov/bgm/outreachextremecoldsafety>

Pediatric Education EMS and Emergency Department Professionals:

🚑 **Maryland ENA Conferences:** Mid Maryland Chapter November 7th @ Holy Cross Hospital (Eventbrite)

🚑 **2026 Conference** planning has started. Please email topics and speaker suggestions pepp@miemss.org

- **STABLE** course will be the pediatric preconference @ Winterfest and Miltenberger (EMS & ED)

	<p>National EMSC Updates:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> EMS Assessment on Pediatric Readiness- state reports were released from EDC in August EMSC EIIC: Pediatric Readiness quality improvement collaborative for EDs – more information @ https://emscimprovement.center/collaboratives/nprqi/ ENA General Assembly adopts resolution supporting PECCs (Champion) in Every ED: https://emscimprovement.center/news/ena-adopts-resolution-supporting-pediatric-emergency-care-coordinators-peccs-in-every-ed/ EMSC EDC: Public Prehospital Pediatric Quality Measures Dashboard (NEMESIS) https://nemesis.org/public-prehospital-pediatric-quality-measures-dashboard/ PECARN: Pediatric Cervical Spine Injury Risk Assessment Tool (https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanchi/article/PIIS2352-4642(24)00104-4/abstract)
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Pediatric Pandemic Network: online learning library - https://learn.pedspandemicnetwork.org/course/?fp2course=1 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"> SAVE the Date: February 25, 2026 Maryland EMSC is hosting a one day- in person Pediatric Readiness Conference Location: MITAGS Details and registration to follow Target Audience: EMS & ED clinicians wanting to learn more about caring for children FAN: Right Care When It Counts awards nominations are OPEN for 2026 (new flyers are available) https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/2c1921de91fc485aa3121d9fce33f23b Due Date: February 1st annually with Star of Life Awards deadline 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: Safe Sleep messaging language was featured at the Safe Kids PrevCon. More details coming in the new year from joint efforts across Maryland. 📌 CPS Healthcare Project: CPS Technician courses for 2026 will be posted @ https://cert.safekids.org/become-tech . Specific health care audience training is available - contact cps@miemss.org. 📌 CPS Education: New displays coming in 2026 designed for EMS outreach. Interested in sharing your ideas – email CPS@miemss.org.

For more information please call the Maryland EMS for Children office at 410-706-1758

Website: www.miemss.org look under departments, Click on EMS for Children



Pediatric Readiness Program & Education Update November 2025



Pediatric EMS Champion Update

- 📢 Pediatric **EMS Champion** Ongoing Projects
 - New Champion Onboarding Meeting occurred on September 10th at 10:00 AM
 - Plan is to turn webinar into online learning module for future champions to watch as part of onboarding process
 - Fall Forum held on October 22nd. Forum included 2026 goal planning based on 2024 assessment data as well as PEPP discussions and demonstration of new EMSC training equipment
 - Next forum will be held virtually on **Wednesday, January 7th starting at 12:30 PM** (after PEMAC)

Pediatric Nurse Champion Update

- 📢 Pediatric **Nurse Champion**
 - Pediatric Facility Recognition Program monthly “Office Hours” to address questions about the application and process are schedule through March 2026
 - November 10, 2025 14:00 – 15:30 (note Monday) & December 10, 2025 12:00 – 13:30
 - Additional dates to be posted & shared with ED Pediatric Champions
 - FAQ document from Office hours posted on webpage
 - ENPC Course scholarships for Pediatric ED Champions (or designee) are available.
 - Pediatric Readiness Display at MidMaryland ENA Conference on Friday Nov 7, 2025
 - Next forum will be **Wed, January 14, 2026 from 12:00 PM -1:30 PM**
Featured Topic: Newly Born Transport

Pediatric Physician/APP Champion Update

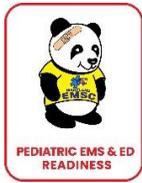
- 📢 Pediatric **Physician/APP Champion** Forum held October 29th with an interactive presentation on Pediatric Respiratory Illness and best practices. This forum is a joint AAP COPEM and ACEP Pediatric committee collaboration with MD EMSC.
 - Next Forum will be Wed, **January 21, 2026 from 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM**

Pediatric Champion forum dates for 2026 have been finalized and are attached. Calendar posting for 2026 will be included on the Maryland EMSC Pediatric Readiness webpage.

Maryland Pediatric Facility Recognition Program is open for applications. Program Description is located on the EMSC/ Pediatric Readiness webpage: <https://www.miemss.org/home/EMS-for-Children/Pediatric-Readiness-Hospitals>

Pediatric Education Updates

- Pediatric Reference Cards & Posters and Pediatric Trauma and Burn Reference Cards & Posters have been distributed to through EMS and ED Nurse Champions. Additional copies are available upon request (targeted for all working in EMS & ED)
- Winterfest 2026 and Miltenberger 2026 conferences will include a **S.T.A.B.L.E.** (Sugar, Temperature, Airway, Blood pressure, Lab work, Emotional support 7th Edition) **Course** for both EMS and ED clinicians. S.T.A.B.L.E. focuses on the first few hours of care for newly born infants – post the APGAR, post resuscitation and pre-transport. Registration will be through each conference’s web portal. Brochures coming this fall.



Maryland EMS For Children

2025 & 2026 EMS, EMSC & Life Safety Educational Conferences



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

2025 Spring Topics in EMS: May 23, 2025
Virtual Conference hosted by Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center

PREPARE 2025: School Safety Conference July 16 & 17, 2025
Turf Vally Resort, Ellicott City MD

2025 Topics in Trauma Conference: September 19, 2025
Tidalhealth Education Center in Salisbury, Maryland

66th MidAtlantic Life Safety Conference: October 24, 2025
Doubletree Hotel in Annapolis, Maryland

Mid Maryland ENA Memorial Conference: November 7th, 2025
Holy Cross Hospital in Silver Spring, Maryland

Meritus Trauma Conference: December 12th, 2025
Meritus Medical Center in Hagerstown, Maryland
[More information and registration link coming](#)

Winterfest EMS Conference: January 30th – February 1st, 2026
Easton High School in Easton, Maryland
Pediatric Pre-conference: The S.T.A.B.L.E. Program
[More information and registration link coming](#)

★ **EMSC Symposium: February 25th, 2026**
M.I.T.A.G.S in Linthicum, MD
[More information and registration link coming](#)

★ **Miltenberger Emergency Services Seminar: March 13th & 14th, 2026**
Rocky Gap Casino & Resort in Flintstone, Maryland
Pediatric Pre-conference: The S.T.A.B.L.E. Program
[More information and registration link coming](#)

★ **Patuxent River EMS Conference: Rescheduled for Spring 2026**
Southern Maryland Location TBD
[More information and registration link coming](#)

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

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

As of November 3, 2025



Pediatric Emergency Medical Advisory Committee (PEMAC) 2026 Meeting Schedule

State PEMAC meetings are held at the MIEMSS Central Office. In person attendance is required at 50% (3) meetings annually. If you would like to participate through web base meeting, a recurring GoToMeeting link has been created and emailed to all committee members.

Wednesday January 7, 2026

9:30 – 12:00 Noon PEMAC Business Meeting
12:30 – 3:00 PM Pediatric EMS Champion Forum

Wednesday March 4, 2026

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

Wednesday May 6, 2026

Annual 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 1, 2026

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

Wednesday September 2, 2026

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

Wednesday November 4, 2026

In Person Meeting

9:30 – 12:00 Noon PEMAC Business Meeting
12:30 – 3:00 PM 20th Annual EMS for Children Research Forum

Note: PEMAC subcommittees will select meetings schedules as workloads & projects are identified. Updates on meetings are posted on the website & on PEMAC agendas – www.miemss.org , click on EMSC and click on PEMAC



2026 Maryland EMSC Pediatric Readiness Champion Forums

Save the Dates

Pediatric EMS Champions

❖ **January 7th 2026 (V)**

Wednesday 12:30 PM – 2:00 PM

❖ **April 15th 2026 In-Person**

Wednesday 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM

❖ **July 22nd 2026 (V)**

Joint with ED Champions

Wednesday 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

❖ **October 28th 2026 In-Person**

Wednesday 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM

Pediatric Nurse Champions

❖ **January 14th 2026 (V)**

Wednesday 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

❖ **April 16, 2026 In-Person**

Thursday 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM

❖ **July 22nd 2026 (V)**

Joint with ED Champions

Wednesday 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

❖ **October 21st 2026 (V)**

Wednesday 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Pediatric Physician Champions

❖ **January 21st 2026 (V)**

Wednesday 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

❖ **April 29th 2026 (V)**

Wednesday 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

❖ **July 29th 2026 (V)**

Wednesday 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

❖ **September 30th 2026 (V)**

Wednesday 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM



The registration links for the Virtual (V) forums (GoTo Platform) will be sent out prior to each meeting. Questions for EMS – Please email pepp@miemss.org
Questions for EDs - Please email pedsready@miemss.org





CPS & OP Healthcare Project
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PEMAC UPDATE – November 5, 2025
The CPS & OP Healthcare Project

- Helped teach a Child Passenger Safety Technician certification course at Long Green VFD on 9/16 and a CPST Renewal Course on 10/21 at the Pikesville VFD. Each course had 5 students.
- Conducted or helped to conduct three exhibits on CPS and OP: 9/12 at UM Midtown Campus at their Pediatrics Clinic (for Safe Kids-Baltimore); 9/19 at Topics in Trauma Conference at TidalHealth; and, 9/24 at the Mid-Atlantic Life Safety Conference in Annapolis.
- Co-taught a class on CPS for 15 students in the Community College of Baltimore County/Catonsville Campus Occupational Therapy Assistant program on Sept 30th.
- Conducted a training on CPS and the car seats for emergency distribution program at Shady Grove Adventist Hospital on Nov 4th.
- Attended Safe Kids Worldwide's Prev Con (conference) on Oct 16-17th to learn new skills and information on child injury prevention, and to network.
- Helped at 6 seat checks or distribution events: 9/10 in Annapolis; 9/25 in Frederick; 9/27 in Clarksville; 10/14 at Johns Hopkins Hospital, 10/21 and 10/28 at Pikesville VFD. Senior-checked 6 CPSTs.
- Lent the MIEMSS' outdoor temperature displays educating on pediatric vehicular heatstroke about four times since the last PEMAC meeting.
- Continued to provide car seats for families in emergency need, giving out 29 car seats to 11 different hospitals and one seat check (2 boosters directly to a family). Receiving agencies can be mother-baby units, EDs, NICUs, and Peds in hospitals, or Safe Kids-Maryland partners.
- Invited county or regional EMS training program coordinators to get a free all-in-one car seat to use for training. The following agencies accepted: Charles County EMS; Prince Georges Fire & Rescue; Washington County EMS and Wor-Wic Community College.

- ↪ The schedules for regional car seat checks for 2026 will be available in January or February. Search anytime for events online at: MDH.kiss@maryland.gov
- ↪ CPS Technician certification courses for 2026 will be released in February. Go to www.cert.safekids.org to sign up to receive alerts for the new courses.
- ↪ This grant can pay registration fees for healthcare clinicians who apply & are pre-approved.

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