Maryland EMS for Children Department Update: March 2021

What's NEW:

EMSC Innovation and Improvement Center & NEDARC Updates
1. **2021 National EMS for Children EMS Survey** focused on EMSC Performance Measures 02 & 03 which include having a Pediatric EMS Champion (or PECC) and providing Pediatric Education on appropriate equipment use through skills, scenarios and direct observation. Maryland had 100% participation from all 27 EMSOP.

2. **2021 EMSC National Pediatric Readiness Project** will launch on May 1, 2021 reaching out to 5000 hospitals across the country. This re-assessment of hospitals will include many aspects of what is commonly referred to as “Pediatric Readiness”. Information about this assessment can be found at [www.pedsready.org](http://www.pedsready.org).

Safe Kids PrevCON 2021: SKWW just announced the 2021 conference will be virtual and held July 12-16, 2021. More details are to follow.

Buckle Up Grant - continues with virtual car seat checks and planning for training in 2021

Safe Kids Maryland Meetings will be March 3, 2021 Sept. 1, 2021 following PEMAC.

The MSFA Convention in June will be VIRTUAL – details will follow on “Steps to Safety”.

Advocacy:

- **Right Care When It Counts & Star of Life**: 2021 Awards nomination form is online [www.miemss.org](http://www.miemss.org) on the Documents tab. Online SmartSheet format is “LIVE” and easy to use. Rolling nominations are being accepted for 2021 awards. **DEADLINE – Friday April 2, 2021**.

- **#MDPANDAFAN** – (EMSC Family Advisory Network Council): “Emergency Ready Families” is an educational project to prepare families for both EMS and ED experiences.

- **Risk Watch Injury Prevention** – EMSC, Safe Kids MD and Risk Watch teams are working on creating virtual training modules and classrooms. **March 20, 2021** (Saturday) is the date for the Public Fire & Life Safety Educator seminar that will be **virtual 9:00 – 12:30 broadcast from MFRI**. Links to broadcast will be on the home page of the MSFA website – [www.msfa.org](http://www.msfa.org).

- **CPS Assistance** continues to be available during the CoVID19 response with Video Car Seat Assistance Program through the local Safe Kids Coalitions, MDH – KISS Program, & EMSC CPS project. SIGN UP is online [https://tinyurl.com/VidAppt20](https://tinyurl.com/VidAppt20).

- **Outdoor Temperature Displays** – The displays are kept at MIEMSS, Cecil County DES, Prince George’s County Fire & EMS, and Meritus Medical Center/ Safe Kids Washington County. Email cps@miemss.org for more information and check out the You Tube short training on how to utilize the displays.

- **Bike Safety/ Helmets** grant from MHSO will be working with Safe Kids Coalitions & Partners in early 2021 to place orders for the bike helmets (all ages). A new outdoor safety display has been receive for in person or drive through helmet education and distribution. Email bikesafety@miemss.org for more information.

Pediatric Education EMS and Emergency Professionals:

- **2021 Winter of Winterfest is LIVE** through the Online Training Center @ MIEMSS. Twelve hours of CE are available through online learning at [www.emsonlinetraining.org/](http://www.emsonlinetraining.org/). Two EMT Skills Refreshers and one PEPP hybrid course will be offered in Easton for limited class sizes.

- **PEPP 4th Edition (2020) Hybrid** course will also be offered in March 2021 with the Miltenberger Conference staff. Additional courses will be scheduled in 2021 as large teaching spaces are identified with limited registration. Class size will follow CDC & state emergency guidelines. After these first two March pilots, a GoToWebinar for instructors and coordinators will be scheduled.

- **ENA CPEN** review course for 2021 will be planned as conferences are again feasible. We are considering the online course option as a pilot.

- **PEAR (AHA)** course has not been updated by AHA for 2020 content or materials at this time.

- **APLS courses**: Course schedule for 2021 is on hold due to SOE. For more information email: pepp@miemss.org

- **Pediatric EMS Champions**: January 6 2021 Forum presentation on Autism has been archived. April, July and October dates and topics will be distributed by March 5, 2021.

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