

## EMS for Children Advisory Committee Meeting April 27, 2023 DHEC (Virtual) Columbia, SC 29201

Topic	Discussion	Recommendations/Actions
Welcome	Dr. Kevin Polley opened the meeting.	None
Freedom of Information Act	Ms. Sable Land read the Freedom of Information Act.	None
Approval of Meeting Minutes	Dr. Kevin Polley called for approval of January minutes. So approved.	None
TASC Pediatric Trauma Sub-committee	Aaron Worthley provided updates. Early planning for 2024 Pediatric Trauma Symposium. Discussed creating a modified Nelson scoring tool for pediatrics.	None

Pediatric Readiness Recognition	Berkeley County EMS visited and approved as Peds Ready ALS. All requirements satisfied. Motion to approve by Ms. Sable Land. Approved by this committee.  Fairfield County EMS visited and approved as Peds Ready ALS. All requirements satisfied. Motion to approve by Ms. Sable Land. Approved by this committee.  MUSC Lancaster visited/surveyed and approved as Pediatric Ready at the Basic level. All requirements satisfied. Motion to approve by Ms. Sable Land. Approved by this committee.	None
Pediatric Protocols Revision	Dr. DesChamps and Dr. Polley provide updates. Pediatric Protocol draft complete, working on drug formulary table.	EMSC to review medications and approve/disapprove, add peds specific doses for approved medications.
BIAD Discussion	Mitch Stewert provided background of pediatric sizes of BIADs (0-5) being added to EMS equipment regulation in June 2022. Agencies pushed back because of cost and infrequent use. Asks for group to provide input on if pediatric BIADs should be required or if there is an alternative.	Dr. Kevin Polley suggests there should not be exemptions since it is in the regulation. Coordinate with agencies that are having financial issues with keeping the equipment to come up with solutions/find potential alternatives. Dr. Kevin Polley

	Rich Wisniewski provides that the only exemption in the state is a non-transporting agency and was taken to OGC and backed by agency's med control physician. Agrees that a blanket exemption should not be put in place, but regulation does state that exemptions are allowed given appropriate approval.	also suggests a review of how many of these devices are being used and how.
DHEC Updates	Sable Land provided that the EMS criteria for Peds Ready is being reviewed by working group. Changing format of criteria to spreadsheet. Working on adding criteria to recognize Frist Responders.  Future meeting dates: July 27 and October 26.  Other upcoming dates: EMS Week May 21-27, EMSC day May 24, Swamp Rabbit Prehospital Medicine Conference in Greenville May 24- 25.	
Adjourn	Dr. Polley adjourned the meeting.	None.