

**EMS for Children Committee Meeting
Virginia Office of EMS
1041 Technology Park Drive, Glen Allen, VA
July 9, 2015
3-5 p.m.**

Members Present:	OEMS Staff:	Others:
Sam Bartle, MD , EMSC Committee Chair	Robin Pearce, VDH, Trauma/Critical Care Coordinator	Tiffany Chatham, RN, University of VA,
David Edwards , VDH, OEMS, EMSC Program Manager	Wanda Street, VDH, OEMS, Secretary Sr.	Joe Carney, Henrico Fire
Theresa Guins , Pediatric ED Physician, EMSC Program Medical Director	Tim Perkins, VDH, EMS Systems Planner	
Steve Rasmussen , Temporary ENA Representative		
Emily Womble , VDH, Chief Medical Examiner's Office		
Kae Bruch , School Nurse Representative		
Barbara Kahler , Virginia Chapter of American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Representative		

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Call to order:	The meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m. by the Chair, Dr. Sam Bartle.	
Introductions:	Everyone around the room introduced themselves to the guests. Tiffany introduced herself and gave some background information.	
Approval of minutes from April 15, 2015 meeting:	A motion was made to review and approve the minutes. The minutes were approved as submitted.	The minutes were approved as submitted.
Chairperson's Report – Dr. Sam Bartle:	<p>A draft of the suggested Pediatric Trauma Triage Criteria has been compiled by Dr. Jeffrey Haynes. This a great starting point for Pediatric Trauma Triage. Please send your changes or recommendations to Dr. Bartle via email @ sbartle@mcvh_vcu.edu and discussions will continue at the next meeting. Robin would like an electronic copy of this for the next Trauma System Oversight & Management Committee meeting.</p>  <p>Suggested Pediatric Trauma Triage Criteri</p> <p>The Virginia American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) is having a consortium on pediatric disaster preparedness in coastal areas. Barbara Kahler stated that this consortium is a sharing event concerning the medical care of children during coastal disasters such as flooding, hurricanes, etc.</p>	
OEMS Report – Paul Sharpe:	No update. Paul Sharpe was not present.	

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EMSC Program Report – David Edwards:	<p>David read through some of the highlights of his report. Please see David’s report below:</p>  <p>EMSC Program Report 070915.pdf</p> <p>Robin spoke about the ACS Site Visit saying that a pediatric reviewer will be attending from Utah. The questions included in the report on page 2 are items that they will review. There will be other questions as well. The first wave of invitations went out today. OEMS wants a diverse group of people at the table in order to get input from every aspect of EMS Trauma.</p>	
EMSC Family Representative Report – Petra Connell:	<p>No report. Petra was not present at today’s meeting.</p>	
Committee Member Organization Reports:	<p>None.</p> <p>Steve asked if anyone has heard about the tourniquet issue. Is it a tool or a medical device? The committee members discussed the issues surrounding using versus not using a tourniquet. If anyone has questions like this in the future, please send them to Dr. Bartle and he will find someone who can provide guidance about the issue.</p>	
Special Presentation – Pediatric Disaster – Joe Carney:	<p>Mr. Carney introduced himself. He has been a fireman with Henrico County for almost 12 years and worked at VCU for almost 15 years. He studied at VCU and obtained a Master’s Degree in Homeland Security. He has worked recently with VCU preparing for the UCI Race in downtown Richmond. A half million people is expected to attend.</p> <p>Mr. Carney explained that the attached power point slides came from the Emergency Management Conference and was done by Bill Evans who is now at the Atlanta Field Office. http://www.vemaweb.org/content/symposium2013/file/D-5_Evan,Bill_Children%20in%20Disasters.pdf</p> <p>According to the U.S. Census of 2013/2014, roughly there were about 2.5 million children under the age of 18 in Virginia.</p> <p>Mr. Carney went through the research he has done this week on Pediatric Disaster Services in Virginia. See the attachment below:</p>  <p>Commonwealth of VA Pediatric Disaster Ser</p> <p>A brief question and answer session followed the presentation. The committee discussed the psychological issues that children face during a disaster. Ready.gov has great resources for parents and children. They also discussed pediatric drills through the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, etc. It was suggested to have drills at the schools to include a one hour</p>	

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	<p>class on school bus accidents, mass casualty, active shooter, etc. It was also suggested to have disaster preparedness/awareness training at schools. There are printable disaster preparedness checklists on the HealthyChildren.org website. There is also a form for special needs children on the site. Ready.gov has templates also for disaster preparedness. It was suggested to do a roundtable at symposium with a pre-survey and discuss case scenarios on pediatric disaster preparedness.</p>	
<p>Old/Unfinished Business:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On-going potential pediatric topics (for Annual EMS Symposium) The next symposium program committee meeting is in October and they will be looking at topics for next year. The selections will be made by the end of December for 2016. The pediatric track is back and will be a permanent fixture per David. Please send your pediatric topic suggestions to David or Dr. Bartle. • Pediatric drug dosage errors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Review revised “The Right Dose” booklet ○ Discuss “MI-Medic” program ○ Review increased awareness strategies • Regenerating pediatric facility recognition process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Stakeholders & work group participants ○ Model programs to consider ○ Meeting suggestions and strategic next steps • Pediatric disaster preparedness – See presentation discussion. • Other 	<p>Please send pediatric topic suggestions to David or Dr. Bartle.</p>
<p>New Business:</p>	<p>None.</p>	
<p>Public Comment:</p>	<p>None.</p>	
<p>Adjournment:</p>	<p>The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:45 p.m.</p> <p>2015 Meeting Date: October 8 2016 Meeting Dates: January 14, April 14, July 14 and October 13</p>	