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Note: The questions in this paper version of the assessment are asked in the same order as the online version but the question numbers may vary from the online version based on automatic electronic skip patterns.

2024 NATIONAL PREHOSPITAL PEDIATRIC READINESS ASSESSMENT

Before we begin, please provide us with the following information, in case we need to contact you to clarify any of your responses:

EMS Agency

1. Name of your Agency: _____

- 2. Address of your Agency: _____
- 3. City your Agency is located in: _____
- 4. Zip code of your Agency: _____
- 5. Does your EMS agency respond to 9-1-1 emergency medical calls (or emergency medical calls placed through other emergency access numbers if used in your region)?

If your EMS agency DOES NOT respond to 911 calls, you are finished with the assessment. Thank you for your time.

EDUCATION AND COMPETENCIES FOR PROVIDERS

In the next set of questions, we are asking about the process that your agency uses to evaluate your EMS providers' skills using pediatric-specific equipment (i.e. airway adjunct use/ventilation, child safety restraint vehicle installation for pediatric patient restraint, IV/IO insertion and administration of fluids, etc.).

While individual providers in your agency may take PEPP or PALS or other national training courses in pediatric emergency care, we are interested in learning more about the process that your agency uses to evaluate provider skills, cognitive education, and behavior related to pediatric-specific equipment or events.

We realize that there are multiple processes that might be used to assess the correct use of pediatric equipment; we are interested in the following three processes:

- At a skill station
- Within a simulated event
- During an actual pediatric patient encounter

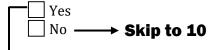
6. At a *Skill Station* (not part of a simulated event), does your agency have a process which *Requires* your *EMS* providers to *Physically Demonstrate* the correct use of *Pediatric-Specific* equipment?

(This is an isolated skill-check rather than part of a simulated event.)

7. How often is this process required for your EMS providers?

(Choose one)

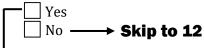
- Two or more times a year
- At least once a year
- At least once every two years
- Less frequently than once every two years
- 8. Within a *Simulated Event* (such as a case scenario or a mock incident), does your agency have a process which *Requires* your *EMS* providers to *Physically Demonstrate* the correct use of *Pediatric-Specific* equipment?



9. How often is this process required for your EMS providers?

(Choose one)

- ____ Two or more times a year
- At least once a year
- At least once every two years
- Less frequently than once every two years
- 10. During an actual *Pediatric Patient Encounter*, does your agency have a process which *Requires* your *EMS* providers to be observed by a *Field Training Officer, Medical Director*, or *Supervisor* to ensure the correct use of *Pediatric-Specific* equipment?



11. How often is this process required for your EMS providers?

(Choose one)

Two or more times a year

At least once a year

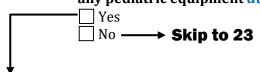
At least once every two years

Less frequently than once every two years

We are now going to ask about specific types of Skills Testing using pediatric equipment.

12. Does your EMS agency require physical hands-on demonstration (psychomotor) on the use of

any pediatric equipment at least once every two years?



We are interested in understanding a little bit more about which skills you require hands-on demonstration.

Which of the following skills are tested?

(Check Yes, No, or Not within scope of practice for each of the following questions)

13. Nasopharyngeal suctioning?

Yes

No No

Not within scope of practice

14. Bag mask ventilation?

Yes

🗌 No

Not within scope of practice

15. Adjunct airway use (nasal or oral airway)?

- Yes
- 🗌 No

Not within scope of practice

16. Safe transport/securing children?

- Yes
- 🗌 No

Not within scope of practice

17. Cervical spine motion restriction?

Yes

🗌 No

Not within scope of practice

18. Peripheral intravenous line placement?

- 🗌 Yes
- 🗌 No
- Not within scope of practice

19. Intraosseous needle placement?

Yes

No

Not within scope of practice

20. Dose determination for medications and fluids?

- ____Yes
- 🗌 No

Not within scope of practice

21. Supraglottic/extra glottic airway device placement?

- 🗌 Yes
- 🗌 No

Not within scope of practice

22. Endotracheal intubation?

- Yes
- No

Not within scope of practice

Aside from strictly Physically demonstrating the use of pediatric equipment ...

Does your EMS agency offer training on PEDIATRIC-specific knowledge (cognitive education) to its providers in one or more of the following modalities?

(Check Yes or No for each of the following questions)

23. In-person/Virtual (synchronous didactics)?



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24. How often is this training offered for your EMS providers?

(Choose one)

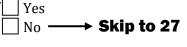
🗌 Two or more times a year

At least once a year

At least once every two years

Less frequently than once every two years

25. Online/Virtual (asynchronous)?



26. How often is this training offered for your EMS providers?

(Choose one)

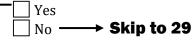
Two or more times a year

At least once a year

At least once every two years

Less frequently than once every two years

27. Skills Station (not part of a simulated event)?



28. How often is this training offered for your EMS providers?

(Choose one)

Two or more times a year

At least once a year

At least once every two years

Less frequently than once every two years

29. Simulation?



30. How often is this training offered for your EMS providers?

(Choose one)

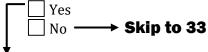
Two or more times a year

At least once a year

At least once every two years

Less frequently than once every two years

31. Direct Patient Encounter?



32. How often is this training offered for your EMS providers?

(Choose one)

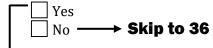
Two or more times a year

At least once a year

At least once every two years

Less frequently than once every two years

33. Other?



34. What other types of training do you offer?

35. How often is this other type of training offered for your EMS providers?

(Choose one)

Two or more times a year

At least once a year

At least once every two years

Less frequently than once every two years

36. Does your EMS agency *Document* whether its providers have completed continuing education on pediatric-specific *Knowledge* (e.g. neonatal resuscitation, respiratory distress in children)

at least once every two years?

Yes
No

37. For your *Highest* level of provider, what is the minimum number of pediatric continuing education hours that your EMS agency *requires every two years*?

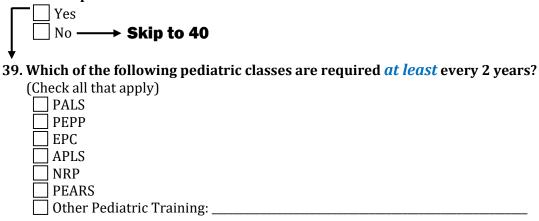
(*card classes like PALS, PEPP, EPC, APLS, NRP count*) (Choose one)

0 hours
1-2 hours
3-4 hours
5-6 hours
7-8 hours
9 or more hours

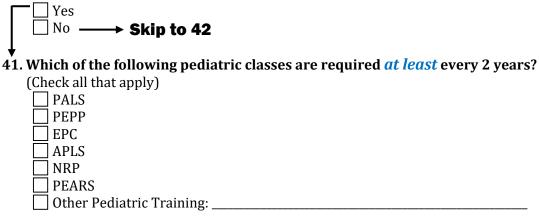
Does your EMS agency require a minimum number of hours of **PEDIATRIC continuing** education?

(Check Yes or No for each of the following questions)

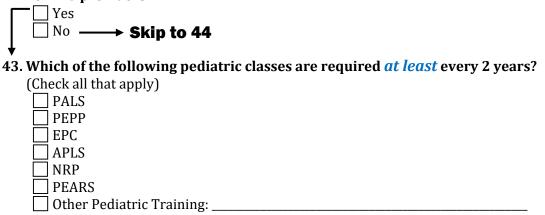
38. For *BLS* providers?



40. For ILS providers?



42. For *ALS* providers?



Please indicate for which of the following behavioral education topics your EMS agency requires training?

(Check Yes or No for each of the following questions)

44. Communicating with pediatric patients across all ages?

Yes
NT.

___ No

45. Communicating with families of pediatric patients?

- Yes
- 🗌 No

46. Practicing cultural humility?

- Yes
- 🗌 No

47. Being aware of and utilizing strategies to address implicit bias?

Yes
No

48. Applying strategies to de-escalate the agitated patient?

Yes
No

49. Providing bereavement support?

Yes
No

50. Practicing trauma informed care? (e.g., helping to create a sense of psychologic safety for the patient during a stressful or traumatic experience)

Yes
No

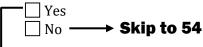
51. Understanding nonverbal communication?

Yes
No

EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

These next questions ask about pediatric equipment.

52. Do your vehicles have *ALL* pediatric equipment recommended by national consensus guidelines (<u>link to guidelines' equipment list</u>) consistent with the EMS agency's *Scope of Practice*?



53. Is this verified by periodic inspection *at least* once every 2 years?

	Yes
	No

INTERACTIONS WITH SYSTEMS OF CARE

Next, we have some questions about engaging with hospitals.

In addition to direct patient care, please indicate in which of the following ways your EMS agency engages with hospital(s) or emergency department staff to promote pediatric emergency care in your region.

(Check Yes or No for each of the following questions)

54. Developing protocols and/or policies?

Yes
No

55. Regional surge capacity planning?

Yes
No

56. Promoting education?

☐ Yes ☐ No

57. Sharing and receiving feedback on clinical care?

Yes

🗌 No

58. Ensuring medication/equipment/supply availability?

☐ Yes ☐ No

59. Promoting injury prevention?

☐ Yes ☐ No

60. Promoting research?

Yes No

61. Promoting family-centered care?

🗌 Yes 🗌 No

62. Other?

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63. You answered "Other." Please describe how your EMS agency engages with hospital(s) or emergency department staff to promote pediatric emergency care in your region.

Please indicate if your EMS agency collaborates with public health *agencies to incorporate the needs of patients of* all ages, including children, *in one or more of the following ways.* (Check Yes or No for each of the following questions)

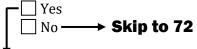
64. Engaging in public health *Policy* development?

- Yes No
- 65. Engaging in public health *Protocol* development?

☐ Yes ☐ No

- 66. Identifying public health issues, including disease epidemics (e.g. influenza, opioids)?
 - ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 67. Engaging in performance improvement initiatives?
 - Yes No
- 68. Disaster preparedness planning?
 - Yes No
- 69. Participating in healthcare coalition meetings?
 - Yes
 No

70. Other?



71. You answered "Other." Please describe how your EMS agency collaborates with public health agencies to incorporate the needs of patients of all ages, including children.

Does your EMS agency have a disaster preparedness policy that addresses . . .?

(Check Yes or No for each of the following questions)

- 72. Use of a pediatric disaster triage tool?
 - 🗌 Yes 🗌 No
- 73. Use of antidotes for pediatric patients?
 - 🗌 Yes 🗌 No

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74. Mass transport of pediatric patients?

☐ Yes ☐ No

75. Tracking of unaccompanied children?

- Yes No
- 76. Family reunification?
 - Yes
 - 🗌 No

77. Mechanisms to address pediatric mental health emergencies?

Yes
No

78. Other?

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Yes

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79. You answered "Other." Please describe other components of your disaster preparedness policy.

COORDINATION OF PEDIATRIC EMERGENCY CARE

Now we are interested in hearing about how pediatric emergency care is coordinated at your EMS agency. This is an emerging issue within emergency care and we want to gather information on what is happening across the country within EMS agencies.

One way that an agency can coordinate pediatric emergency care is by **DESIGNATING (AN) INDIVIDUAL(S)** who is/are responsible for coordinating pediatric-specific activities that could include:

- Ensuring that the pediatric perspective is included in the development of *EMS* protocols.
- Ensuring that fellow providers follow pediatric clinical-practice guidelines and protocols.
- Promoting pediatric continuing-education opportunities.
- Overseeing pediatric-process improvement.
- Ensuring the availability of pediatric medications, equipment, and supplies.
- Promoting agency participation in pediatric-prevention programs.
- Promoting agency participation in pediatric-research efforts.
- Interacting with the ED pediatric emergency care coordinator.
- Promoting family-centered care at the agency.

(A) DESIGNATED INDIVIDUAL(S) who coordinate(s) pediatric emergency care need not be dedicated solely to this role; it can be (an) individual(s) already in place who assume(s) this role as part of their existing duties. The individual(s) may be (a) member(s) of your agency, work at a county or region level, and/or serve more than one agency.

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An individual or group that collaborates internally or externally in overseeing administrative and/or system-level aspects to improve pediatric-specific care could include a designated individual or Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinator (PECC) within an EMS agency, an individual or PECC that has responsibilities for more than one EMS agency, a Pediatric Advisory Council (PAC), and/or a medical director with pediatric-specific knowledge and experience.

80. Which one of the following statements best describes your EMS agency? (Choose one)
Our EMS agency HAS a designated INDIVIDUAL(S) who coordinates pediatric emergency care -> Go to 81
Our EMS agency does <i>NOT Have</i> a designated INDIVIDUAL(S) who coordinates pediatric emergency care at this time — Skip to 105
Our EMS agency does <i>NOT Currently</i> have a designated INDIVIDUAL(S) who coordinates pediatric emergency care but we <i>Have A Plan To Add</i> this role within the next year> Skip to 105
Our EMS agency does <i>NOT Currently</i> have a designated INDIVIDUAL(S) who coordinates pediatric emergency care but would be <i>Interested In Adding</i> this role ——> Skip to 105

You indicated that you have at least one designated individual or a group who coordinates pediatric emergency care for your EMS agency. Is this individual(s) a...?

81. A Medical Director with pediatric-specific knowledge and experience who coordinates care for

your agency? ☐ Yes → Go to 82 ☐ No → Skip to 88

Please describe the training that your medical director has completed.

(Check Yes, No, or Unknown for each of the following questions)

82. Pediatric residency?

Yes
No
Unknown

83. Pediatric emergency medicine fellowship?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

84. Family medicine residency?

Yes
No
Unknown

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85. Emergency medicine residency?

Yes No Unknown

86. EMS fellowship?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Unknown

87. Other?

- 🗌 Yes
 - No

Unknown

You indicated that you have at least one designated individual or a group who coordinates pediatric emergency care for your EMS agency. Is this individual(s) a...?

(Check Yes or No for each of the following questions)

88. A person *Other Than* a medical director with pediatric-specific knowledge who coordinates care *Only For Your Agency*?

Yes
No

89. A person *Other Than* a medical director with pediatric-specific knowledge who coordinates care for *Your Agency as Well as Other* agencies?

🗌 Yes 🗌 No

- 90. A *Pediatric Advisory Council* or committee that coordinates care for either your agency *Only*
 - or Other agencies? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 91. Another individual or group?



→ Skip to 93

92. You answered, "Another individual or group." Please specify:

We are interested in understanding a little bit more about what this individual or group does for your agency in the coordination of pediatric emergency care.

Does this individual or group...?

(Check Yes or No for each of the following questions)

93. Ensure that the pediatric perspective is included in the development of EMS protocols?

Yes
No

- 94. Ensure that providers follow pediatric clinical practice guidelines and/or protocols?
 - Yes No
- 95. Promote pediatric continuing education opportunities?
 - Yes No
- 96. Oversee pediatric process and/or quality improvement initiatives?
 - Yes No
- 97. Ensure the availability of pediatric medications, equipment, and supplies?
 - Yes No
- 98. Promote EMS agency participation in pediatric injury prevention programs?
 - Yes
- 99. Collaborate with one or more emergency department Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinator(s)?
 - Yes No
- 100. Promote family-centered care by ensuring inclusion of pediatric specific needs in system policies and procedures?
 - Yes No
- 101. Promote EMS agency participation in pediatric research efforts?
 - Yes No
- 102. Provide support to more than one EMS agency?
 - Yes No
- 103. Have other roles or responsibilities?



No → Skip to 105

104. You marked 'other' to the previous question. Please describe the 'other' roles or responsibilities performed by the designated individual who coordinates pediatric emergency care at your agency.

Does your EMS agency have a policy or protocol to guide destination decision making for pediatric patients with ...?

(Check Yes or No for each of the following questions)

105. Medical emergencies (including critically ill children)?

Yes
No

106. Traumatic injuries (including suspected child abuse)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

107. Behavioral health emergencies?

Yes
No

- 108. Does your EMS agency have a policy to specify when pre-arrival notification of critically ill or injured children is necessary?
 - Yes
 - 🗌 No

Does your EMS agency have a standardized method or template to ensure consistency in what information is conveyed for patient hand offs in the emergency department that includes . . .?

(Check Yes or No for each of the following questions)

109. Assessment (e.g. vital signs, mental status relative to baseline, provider impression, diagnostics including glucose)?

Yes No

110. Weight in kilograms?

Yes No

111. Interventions (e.g. medications given, procedures performed)?

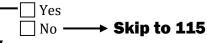
Yes

🗌 No

112. Suspicion or concern for patient maltreatment?

Yes No

113. Other?



114. You marked 'other' to the previous question. Please describe the 'other' method or template to ensure consistency in what information is conveyed for patient hand offs in the emergency department.

This section asks about family-centered care.

Does your EMS agency have a policy for promoting family-centered care that addresses...?

(Check Yes or No for each of the following questions)

115. Family and guardian presence during resuscitation?

☐ Yes ☐ No

116. Practicing cultural competencies?

- Yes
- 🗌 No

117. Cultural humility?

Yes

No

118. Strategies to counteract implicit bias?

- Yes
- 🗌 No

119. Flexibility around religious customs?

Yes
No

120. Family member/guardian to accompany a pediatric patient during transport?

	Yes
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121. Family preference considered in destination decision-making?

Yes
No

122. Mechanisms to communicate with non-verbal patients?

Yes
No

123. Accessing language services to communicate with non-English speaking patients and families?

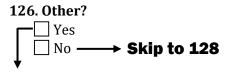
Yes
No

124. Use of lay terms when communicating with families?

Yes
No

125. Narrating actions and alerting patients and caregivers before interventions are performed?

Yes
No



127. You marked 'other' to the previous question. Please describe the 'other' ways your agency's policy addresses promoting family-centered care.

PATIENT AND MEDICATION SAFETY

These questions are about medication safety.

128. Does your EMS agency use a length-based tape or volumetric dosing guide for medication administration?

🗌 Yes 🗌 No

129. Does your EMS agency have a process to identify and/or review pediatric medication dosing errors (i.e. provider reported, manual data query, or automated tracking)?



Does this process include review of all patient encounters to identify errors in dosing or route of administration for these commonly administered medications?

(Check Yes or No for each of the following questions)

130. Midazolam?

Yes
No

131. Epinephrine?

Yes
No

132. Normal Saline?

Yes No

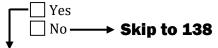
133. Fentanyl?

🗌 Yes 🗌 No

134. Other?

135. What other medications are reviewed for dosing errors?

136. Does your EMS agency have a policy for proper restraint of children during transport?



137. Is your EMS agency's or state's policy on safe transport of children consistent with guidance from national organizations? (If unsure, click the link for NASEMSO's Interim Guidance on this topic)

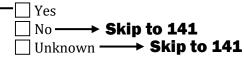
Yes
No

- 138. Does your EMS agency carry a device for pediatric transport to safely seat/position a child which can be securely mounted to the stretcher or a seat in the back of the ambulance?
 - Yes No

POLICIES, PROCEDURES, AND PROTOCOLS

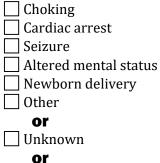
Next, we have some questions about policies and procedures.

139. Does your EMS *Dispatch Center* provide *Pediatric-Specific* pre-arrival instructions?



140. Which of the following *Pre-Arrival* instructions have *Pediatric-Specific* components?

(Check the following Pre-Arrival Instructions **OR** choose Unknown **OR** choose None of the Above) Respiratory distress



None of the above

For which of the following does your EMS agency include Pediatric-Specific guidance integrated into protocols, procedures, and/or policies?

(Check Yes or No for each of the following questions)

141. Respiratory distress?



142. Choking?

☐ Yes ☐ No

143. Cardiac arrest?

Yes
No

144. Seizure?

- Yes
- 🗌 No

145. Altered mental status?

- Yes
- 🗌 No

146. Trauma?

- Yes No
- 147. Newborn delivery?
 - Yes Yes
 - No

148. Consent of minors?

Yes No

149. Assessment?

Yes No

150. Abuse/maltreatment?

Yes No

151. Refusal of minors?

Yes
No

152. Children with behavioral or developmental disabilities?

Yes
No

153. Children who are technology dependent?

Yes
No

154. Other?



155. You answered "Other." Please list the other topics.

156. During direct patient care, do your EMS agency's providers have 24-hour/day access to a physician(s) with pediatric emergency care expertise (may be based within your own EMS agency, another EMS agency, an EMS base station, or a hospital emergency department)?



What is the training of the physician?

(Check Yes, No, or Unknown for each of the following questions)

157. Pediatric residency?

Yes
No
Unknown

158. Pediatric emergency medicine fellowship?

	Yes
	No
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Unknown

159. Family medicine residency?

Yes

No

Unknown

160. Emergency medicine residency?

Yes
No

Unknown

161. EMS fellowship?

Yes
No
Unknown



163. What are the physician's other type(s) of training?

164. Are your EMS agency's protocols updated or revised *at Least Once Every 2 Years* to incorporate new pediatric evidence or guidelines (e.g. from scientific studies or other national guidance)?

Yes No Unknown

QUALITY IMPROVEMENT/PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT

This section asks about quality improvement processes.

165. Does your EMS agency have a performance improvement process that includes reviewing patient charts or gathering information from *Pediatric Encounters*?

Which of the following does your EMS agency utilize?

(Check Yes or No for each of the following questions)

166. Chart review on ALL pediatric patient encounters?

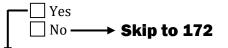
Yes
No

167. Chart review on *Randomly Selected* pediatric patient encounters?

Yes
No

- 168. Chart review to identify inequities in care based on *Specific Patient Demographics* (e.g. gender, race, ethnicity)?
 - __ Yes __ No
- 169. Chart review of *Critical Pediatric Events* (e.g. procedure performed; medication administered; resuscitation; trauma; death)?
 - Yes No

170. Other?



171. What other type(s) does your agency utilize?

172. Does your EMS agency *Share* information gathered from *Chart Reviews* with the *Involved Providers*?

☐ Yes □ No

173. Does your EMS agency integrate *Key Findings* gathered from *Chart Reviews* into EMS agency *Training or Education*?

Yes
No

174. Does your EMS agency *Track* patient-level data that *Includes* prehospital care of *Children*?



Which of the following types of patient-level data are Tracked?

(Check Yes or No for each of the following questions)

- **175. Destination of transport?**
 - 🗌 Yes 🗌 No
- 176. Predefined quality or performance metrics specific to a clinical condition (e.g. percentage of anaphylaxis patients who received IM Epinephrine, including treatments administered by ALS and BLS providers)?

Yes
No

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177. Components of patient assessments performed or completed (e.g. pain assessed for trauma)?

Yes
No

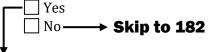
178. Patient outcomes (e.g. mortality)?

Yes
No

179. Patient refusals?

Yes
No

180. Other?



181. What "other" types of patient-level data are tracked?

182. Which of the following best describes your EMS agency's approach to improving the quality of pediatric emergency care?

(Choose one)

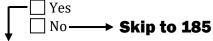
Our agency *Has Defined* pediatric quality metrics, and *Collects* data on our own patient care

Our agency has *Not Defined* pediatric quality metrics, but *Collects* data on our own patient care

Our agency *Has Defined* pediatric quality metrics, and *Plans To Collect* data from our own patient care

Our agency has *Not Defined* pediatric quality metrics, and does *Not Collect* data from our own patient care

183. Does your EMS agency submit *NEMSIS Compliant* data to the state EMS office?



- 184. Does your EMS agency have a process of extracting data in a fashion that is compliant with *NEMSIS v3.x Data Standards*?
 - ☐ Yes ☐ No

Does your EMS agency have a method (manual or automated) to obtain hospital data for at least 50% *of your pediatric transports that includes?*

(Check Yes or No for each of the following questions)

185. Secondary transport destination?

Yes
No

186. ED and hospital *Disposition*?

Yes
No

187. ED and hospital *Diagnoses*?

Yes
No

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188. Survival to hospital *Admission*?

Yes

Nc

189. Survival to hospital *Discharge*?

Yes
No

190. For your pediatric patients, on which of the following demographic characteristics do you report data?

(Check all that apply)

Age Distribution

Race (e.g., Asian, Black)

Ethnicity (e.g., Hispanic, non-Hispanic)

Sex (e.g., as assigned at birth)

Patient <u>Gender</u> Preference (e.g., transgender female, transgender male, other)

Payor Source (e.g., private insurances, self-pay, Medicare/Medicaid)

- Response Levels (e.g., BLS, ALS, critical care)
- Priority Levels

The following questions relate to your agency's resources and location.

191. Please estimate how many 911 calls (both *adult and pediatric*) your EMS agency responded to in the last year?

(Numeric data only, e.g., 5000, not "five thousand")

192. Please estimate how many 911 calls your EMS agency responded to for *Pediatric Patients* (as defined by your agency) in the last year?

(Numeric data only, e.g., 5000, not "five thousand")

- **193. Which one of the categories below approximates the number of 911 calls your EMS agency responded to for** *Pediatric Patients* (as defined by your agency) in the last year? (Choose one)
 - Low: Twelve (12) or fewer pediatric calls in the last year (average of 1 or fewer pediatric calls per month)
 - Medium: Between 13-100 pediatric calls in the last year (average of 2 8 pediatric calls per month)
 - Medium to High: Between 101-600 pediatric calls in the last year (average of 9 50 pediatric calls per month)
 - High: More than 600 pediatric calls in the last year (average of more than 50 pediatric calls per month)

Note: the response options of the following questions (194-196) will be customized in the online assessment to better reflect individual state/territory terminology.

194. What is the *Highest* level of *Licensure* that pertains to the scope of care that *EMS Providers* in your agency provide to patients?

(Choose one) While we realize that your agency may have other levels of certification, we ask that you only provide a response for the choices listed below.

Emergency Medical Responder (EMR)

Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)

Advanced EMT (AEMT)

Paramedic

195. Please estimate how many *EMS Providers* currently work at your agency for each of the following level(s) of licensure?

(If no providers for a licensure level, enter 0.) Your agency may employ other types of providers than those listed here. For purposes of this assessment, we only need you to provide responses for these four types.

Provider Level	Number of Providers Full & part-time, volunteer, & paid
Emergency Medical Responder (EMR)	
Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)	
Advanced EMT (AEMT)	
Paramedic	

196. What is the *Highest* level of *Certification* of your *EMS agency*?

(Choose one) While we realize that your agency may have other levels of certification, we ask that you only provide a response for the choices listed below.

Basic Life Support (BLS)
Intermediate Life Support (ILS)

Advanced Life Support (ALS)

These next few questions will help us understand the infrastructure of your agency.

197. Which of the following best describes the *Primary* source for how your EMS agency is funded?

(Choose one)

Municipal county
 Municipal city
 Franchise for profit
 Franchise non-profit
 Donations and grants
 Federally funded
 Tribally funded
 Other

198. How is your agency staffed?

(Check all that apply)

Paid employees

☐ Volunteers

199. Which of the following describes your response model/service?

(Check all that apply)

Fire-based Hospital-based Private Third service

Public utility

200. If you have any questions or comments regarding pediatric readiness, please note them here.

Respondent Information Individual completing the assessment

These last few questions are in regards to your contact information, please note that your personal contact information will be kept **SECURE**. This personal contact information will **NOT** be sold. Personal contact information will be used solely for HRSA EMSC program initiatives to improve the delivery and quality of pediatric emergency care ONLY.

201. First and last name of the person completing this assessment: ______

202. Job title of the person completing this assessment: _____

203. Phone number for your EMS agency: _____

204. Email address of the person completing this assessment: ______

These are the final questions.

You had indicated that your EMS agency has an individual or individuals who coordinate pediatric emergency care for your agency.

While you are **Not Required** to provide their name and email, we would appreciate that information so your state EMSC Program Manager can reach out to them with resources.

Please note that this contact information will be kept **SECURE**. This personal contact information will **NOT** be sold. Personal contact information will be used solely for HRSA EMSC program initiatives to improve the delivery and quality of pediatric emergency care ONLY.

205. First and last name of the *Primary* person providing pediatric emergency care coordination for your agency: _____

206. Job title: _____

207. Email: _____

You are now finished with the survey. You can officially submit your survey by going to EMSpedsReady.org.