

Montana EMSC Pediatric Facility Recognition Application



Application Instructions

Follow these instructions to complete the application process:

1. Request the Montana Pediatric Facility Recognition Application Forms from the EMSC Program Manager at Kelly.little@mt.gov or by calling 406-444-0901.

The Application Forms include the following:

- 1. Demographic Information Form
- 2. Pediatric Facility Recognition Criteria and
- 3. Pediatric Disaster Preparedness Checklist.
- 2. The EMSC Program manager will review your returned Application Forms.
 - a. If any part of the Application is missing/incomplete, the EMSC Program Manager will contact the Facility to obtain the missing information.
- 3. The team assigned to perform your Facility's EMSC Survey will review the completed Application Forms. The team will schedule a site visit if all documentation is in order.
- 4. If the team determines additional information or activities are required before conducting a site visit, the EMSC Program Manager will forward a gap analysis and instruction for re-applying once the gaps have been addressed.

Visit Procedure

- 1. The site visit will include an assessment of the Facility's emergency department and a meeting with the following individuals:
 - a. The Hospital's Chief Administrative/Executive Officer or designee
 - b. Representation from the Local EMS service, including the service's medical director, if the service is an ALS service.
 - c. Nursing leadership and relevant ED staff
- 2. Facility staff shall prepare data/material for checklist verification in preparation for the site visit.
- Prepare a short presentation regarding the Facility's history and county demographics, including children's census information, pediatric patient data, diagnosis, etc.





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- 4. Hospital personnel shall be prepared to lead the Survey Team on a physical emergency department tour.
 - Upon request, the Survey Team will sign a confidentiality agreement provided by the hospital concerning any HIPAA-related issues they may encounter during their site visit.

Post-Site Visit Procedure

- 1. The Survey Team will send the Facility a report outlining its findings and recommendations within 30 days of the site visit.
- If the Facility meets all pediatric readiness criteria, the EMS for Children Program
 Coordinator will mail a letter and certificate describing the Facility's
 accomplishment and pediatric capability.
- 3. The EMS for Children Program will add the Facility to the <u>Pediatrics Facility</u> <u>Recognition Section</u> website and announce new recognitions at the next quarterly EMSC Advisory Committee Meetings.

Renewal Process

- 1. The term of a Pediatric Facility Recognition is three years.
- 2. Approximately six months before the Facility's Pediatric Recognition expires, the EMS for Children Program Coordinator will contact the Facility with instructions on completing the renewal process.
- 3. Withdrawal of recognition status may occur at any time should a facility decide to terminate its pediatric recognition.
 - a. In this situation, the hospital shall notify the Montana EMSC program at least 60 days before withdrawal.

If you have questions, please contact Kelly Little, EMSC Program Manager, at kelly.little@mt.gov (406) 444-0901.

