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EMSC State Partnership

Pediatric Readiness Centers

WHAT ARE PEDIATRIC READINESS CENTERS?

Peds Ready is a voluntary program engaging facilities to commit to being able to provide pediatric emergency care based on national guidelines. Facilities have the capability to apply to become a Georgia Pediatric Readiness Center at Levels I, II or III,

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO PARTICIPATE?

Pediatric Readiness helps ED personnel become better prepared to provide quality care for patients of all ages. Hospitals with high ED readiness scores demonstrate a 4-fold lower mortality rate for children than those with lower readiness scores.



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LEVEL ONE

The Level I center is the highest level of pediatric care available. This center is a comprehensive pediatric care center. Level I serves as a regional referral center for level II and level III Peds Ready Centers. The level I center houses a wide range of pediatric subspecialties.

LEVEL TWO

The level II center is capable of initial evaluation and stabilization of critically ill children. This facility can provide either ongoing inpatient care for the most common and some advanced medical emergencies and surgical issues or can provide appropriate, timely transfer of a child to a higher level of care.

LEVEL THREE

The level III center is capable of the initial evaluation and stabilization of the critically ill child and can provide appropriate, timely transfer of child to a higher level of care if needed.



Requirement	Level I	Level II	Level III
Nurse Peds CHAMP	●	●	●
Physician Peds CHAMP	●	●	
Dedicated Pediatric Emergency Room	●		
Pediatric Intensive Care Unit Available	●		
Pediatric Inpatient Floor Level Care Available	●	●	
Dedicated Operating Room	●		
Pediatric Specific Equipment	●	●	
Pediatric Specific Safety Measures	●	●	●
Standard Method of Estimating Weight	●	●	●
Weighing Patients in Only Kilograms	●	●	●
Safe Medication Admin Policies and Practices in Place	●	●	●
Supports Family Centered Care	●	●	●
Disaster/ Pediatric Surge Preparedness Plan	●	●	●
Quality Improvement Plan That Includes Pediatric Specific Indicators	●	●	●
Transfer Agreements and Transfer Policies	●	●	●
Emergency Medical Staff Trained in Pediatric Resuscitation	●	●	●
All Medical Staff Pediatric Advanced Life Support Requirement	●	●	
Pediatric Nursing Certificate Requirement	●	●	

