

Peds Ready EMS

Frequently Asked Questions



Which agencies are eligible to participate?

All Oregon EMS transport agencies are eligible to participate.

Why should my EMS transport agency participate?

Get recognized as a Peds Ready EMS agency to show your community that pediatric patients are a priority! Completing the steps necessary to participate in Peds Ready EMS will improve agency readiness to treat pediatric emergency medical and trauma patients. Recognition allows agencies to demonstrate their commitment to local media outlets, elected officials, and community members.

Is participation in this program voluntary?

Yes. This program is entirely voluntary.

Are there penalties for not participating in this program?

No. Peds Ready EMS is the standard established by the Oregon EMS for Children (EMSC) Program for EMS agency pediatric readiness. Agencies that are seeking to improve pediatric emergency care and maintain pediatric readiness may choose to participate in the Peds Ready EMS program.

Is there a fee to participate in this program?

There is no participation fee. There may be costs incurred to meet the requirements of the program, such as purchasing the required pediatric patient care equipment. **Note:** There is a modest amount of Oregon EMSC Program funds available to assist agencies with the purchase of required pediatric patient care equipment.

What is the application process?

The EMS agency point-of-contact will complete the [online application](#). The Oregon EMSC Program will review applications for completeness and verify attestations as appropriate. The Oregon EMSC Program Manager may contact the agency to request clarification or documentation as needed.

How often does the recognition need to be renewed?

The Peds Ready EMS initial recognition period is up to 2 years from the issue date. The Oregon EMSC Program will send a reminder email to the agency within three months of the recognition expiration date.

What happens if the point-of-contact changes?

Contact the Oregon EMSC Program Manager at 971-673-0564 or rachel.l.ford@oha.oregon.gov to update the EMS agency point-of-contact.

Where can I learn more about the program?

Visit the Oregon EMSC Program website at www.oregonemsc.org or contact the Oregon EMSC Program Manager at 971-673-0564 or rachel.l.ford@oha.oregon.gov.