

**January 2026**  
**Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinator Newsletter**



**Peds Ready EMS**

**Congratulations Western Lane Fire and EMS Authority!**

Six agencies have been Peds Ready EMS recognized -- **Sherman County Ambulance, Polk County Fire District No. 1, Mercy Flights Inc., Redmond Fire and Rescue, North Lincoln Fire & Rescue.**

Get recognized today! Show your community that pediatric patients are a priority! The first **20 agencies** recognized will receive a Peds Ready EMS plaque.

**Apply today!** The online application should take about an hour to complete. Once the application has been reviewed and accepted, the EMS transport agency will receive a recognition certificate and ambulance decal(s).

**Application Guide & Frequently Asked Questions**

Questions about program requirements: [rachel.l.ford@oha.oregon.gov](mailto:rachel.l.ford@oha.oregon.gov) or 971-673-0564

Application technical issues: [nicole.m.perkins@oha.oregon.gov](mailto:nicole.m.perkins@oha.oregon.gov) or 971-469-2899

**Pediatric Disaster Response and Emergency Preparedness Course**

**Register Here** for an in person 2-day course (16 hours)

**June 1 & 2 | 0800-1700**

Kaiser Westside Medical Center  
2875 NE Stucki Avenue, Hillsboro, OR

**June 4 & 5 | 0800-1700**

Good Shepherd Medical Center  
610 NW 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Hermiston, OR



The course addresses pediatric emergency planning and medical response considerations through a combination of lectures and small group exercises. Topics include introduction to pediatric response, pediatric emergency management, pediatric surge, children with access and functional needs, mass sheltering, triage and allocation of scarce resources, reunification, and decontamination. CE available.

## Oregon EMS for Children Advisory Committee

**February 12 | 0900-1200**

EMSC Advisory Committee Meeting: This is a public meeting and an opportunity to learn about EMSC Program activities.

Virtual: [Zoom Meeting Link](#) | Meeting ID: 160 593 4318 | Passcode: 547174

## EMS Training

The [U.S. Fire Administration](#) provides training, research and outreach to help keep EMS personnel and their patients safe. The National Fire Academy's EMS curriculum provides leadership and management education and skills, quality management, EMS incidents operations, and more.

Visit the website for more information, <https://www.usfa.fema.gov/nfa/courses/>.

## Measles Guide for EMS

The [Measles Guide for EMS](#) is designed to help EMS personnel and first responders safely and effectively manage suspected or confirmed measles cases. Measles is a highly contagious viral disease that poses significant risks, particularly in emergency response settings where rapid assessment and transport are essential. Understanding the signs and symptoms, appropriate precautions, and reporting procedures is critical to protecting both patients and providers. This guide outlines key protocols to minimize transmission and ensure timely care.

## Broselow Pediatric Emergency Rainbow Tape Recall

The U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA) recall includes specific Broselow Tape versions and involves removing certain devices from where they are used. The FDA has identified this recall as the most serious type. This device may cause serious injury or death if you continue to use it. Review full information [here](#).

## EMS Resources

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Critical Care Trauma Series Registration</a> - monthly free virtual education</li><li>• <a href="#">EMSC Website</a>: Prehospital PECC Resources   Free Training &amp; Equipment</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• National Association of EMS Educators <a href="#">webinars</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Oregon EMS Psychomotor Skills Lab Manual</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Pediatric Patient Care Resource Sheets</a>: available upon request, <a href="mailto:rachel.l.ford@oha.oregon.gov">rachel.l.ford@oha.oregon.gov</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Responding to Children in Crisis</a></li></ul>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#"><b>EMS Resource Toolkit</b></a>: Training, funding, equipment, recruitment, etc.</li><li>• Mental Health, Substance Use &amp; Managing Stress: <a href="#"><b>Training &amp; Guide</b></a></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#"><b>Right Call Cards</b></a> (Prehospital PECC section)</li></ul>
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