Greetings to all!!

Over the past several months, members of a special working group chaired by Katrina Altenhofen (IA) have collaborated to compile education resources that might assist you in the education and relicensure of practitioners related to pediatrics. You are encouraged to meet with your state official pediatric counterparts on a regular basis and consider several best practices that have been identified by the working group for possible implementation in your state! In case you overlooked the original notice:

The EMS Education Toolkit for Pediatrics is the result of a collaborative effort of the National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO), the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), the EMSC National Resource Center (NRC), National EMSC Data Analysis Resource Center (NEDARC), the National Association of EMS Educators (NAEMSE), and the National Association of EMTs (NAEMT) with support from our federal partners at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and the Health Resources and Services Administration EMS for Children Program (HRSA).

The toolkit is intended as a resource that can be used to inform the state EMS license renewal process to improve evaluation and performance related to pediatric skills competency although EMS Educators, EMS agencies, EMS practitioners, and others seeking information to improve pediatric education in emergency medical services will also find the information useful. If you have additional resources to share in any of the categories listed below or if you discover a broken link, please contact NASEMSO Program Manager, Kathy Robinson.

The toolkit is available at http://www.nasemso.org/EMS-Education-Toolkit-Pediatrics/.

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