

Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) Day

Proclamation

WHEREAS, millions of children receive emergency medical care each year due to illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, the needs of children are different than the needs of adults in medical emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the goal of Emergency Medical Services for Children is to help states and communities prepare for an emergency involving a child by helping emergency medical services (EMS) agencies, and emergency departments, become pediatric ready; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Medical Services for Children Program supports research and improvement science to drive transformation of emergency care systems, including the prehospital setting; and

WHEREAS, in 2024, Emergency Medical Services for Children celebrates its 40th year of supporting improved outcomes for acutely ill and injured children across the nation; and

WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services for Children relies on its established partnership within the EMS community, as well as multidisciplinary teams of providers across the emergency care continuum, to help states and communities reduce child and youth disability and death due to severe illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services for Children, the hundreds of thousands of prehospital and hospital-based clinicians it serves, the professional organizations and federal agencies with which it partners, and the patients and families it engages, are committed to collaborating to ensure high-quality emergency care for children; and

WHEREAS, it is proper and timely to bring recognition to the value and accomplishments of Emergency Medical Services for Children and the dedicated personnel who work tirelessly to improve the delivery of pediatric care across emergency care systems ...

Now, therefore I [Name/Title] do hereby proclaim the date of May 22, 2024, as

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as part of National EMS Week in [City/County/State] and urge all citizens and health care professionals serving the pediatric population to celebrate EMS Week's 2024 theme: **"Honoring Our Past. Forging Our Future."**; to become familiar with Emergency Medical Services for Children, its programs and activities in our state and nationally; and to support and participate in educational and outreach programs to increase their knowledge of best practices in pediatric medical care.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the (City/County/State) of _____ this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Name and Title of Official