








ACCOMPLISHMENTS

-  **Tennessee is one of the first states in the country to develop a statewide transfer agreement plan**, thus providing a process that allows children to be transferred to the appropriate level of care after stabilization
-  Recipient of National EMSC **Heroes Award State of Distinction**
-  Instrumental in putting child passenger **safety seats and helmet laws** into place
-  Influential in providing **funding for trauma centers** that serve children
-  **Reputation for being the “go to” resource** for the people of Tennessee and beyond seeking information on emergency medical needs for children of all ages
-  **Recognizing excellence in EMS** through the **Star of Life Program**
-  Produced and distributed **Emergency Action Wall Charts** to hospitals statewide

CHILDREN VS. ADULTS

IMPLICATIONS FOR CARE



Greater surface area relative to body weight **Children must be protected against greater heat loss during resuscitation**

Smaller airways **Special equipment & training is needed for intubation**

Respiratory & heart rates differ with age **Knowledge of vital signs based on age is necessary**

More pliable skeleton **Orthopedic injuries may be easily missed**

Higher metabolic rates **Medication doses must be carefully calculated**

SPONSORS & PARTNERS

Our partners are comprised of a diverse and dedicated team of stakeholders. Some of the statewide professional organizations that we have teamed with include:

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- Baptist Memorial Hospital for Women
 - Children’s Hospital at Erlanger Health Systems
 - East Tennessee Children’s Hospital
 - Hospital Corporation of America
 - Jackson-Madison County General Hospital
 - Le Bonheur Children’s Hospital
 - Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt
 - Niswonger Children’s Hospital
 - Rural Health Association of TN
 - TN Academy of Family Physicians
 - TN Ambulance Service Association
 - TN Association of School Nurses
 - TN Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics
 - TN Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians
 - TN Chapter of the American College of Surgeons
 - TN Chapter of the Emergency Nurses Association
 - TN Congress of Parents and Teachers (PTA)
 - TN Disability Coalition
 - TN Emergency Medical Services Education Association
 - TN Hospital Association
 - UT Medical Center
 - Williamson County Medical Center

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OUR MISSION

To ensure that every child in Tennessee receives the best pediatric emergency care in order to eliminate the effects of severe illness and injury

OUR VISION

To be the foremost advocate for children throughout the continuum of care in Tennessee and the nation

WHY TN EMSC?

Medical care for children requires special training and equipment. As emergency care providers, you must be aware of and trained on these differences. As hospital administrators, you must ensure that your staff is up-to-date on the latest pediatric emergency care.

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CORE PROGRAMS

TN EMSC provides educational programs and advice to health care providers, including emergency medical responders, nurses, and physicians that care for children being treated for injury or acute illness.

1) FOR PHYSICIANS & MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS

Advice & Consulting

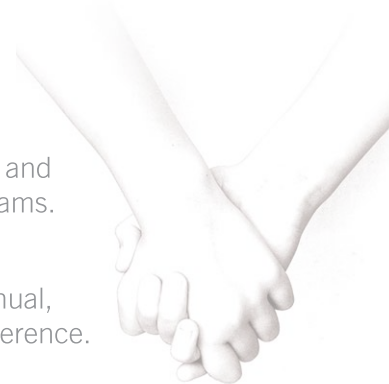
We provide personalized training and education.

Continuing Education

We offer a variety of online and classroom-based CE programs.

Annual Conference

TN EMSC conducts an annual, statewide educational conference.



2) FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC

We provide the general public with information to educate themselves on emergency preparedness and safety procedures in the home and at school.

Along with downloadable materials that TN EMSC has developed to prepare for and safeguard children **before, during and after emergencies, we provide a vast array of relevant resources** from programs all across the country.

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 **DONATE BY PHONE (615) 343-3672**



FOR EVERY CHILD IN TENNESSEE

"When seconds count, emergency care providers, nurses and physicians should be up-to-date on the latest in pediatric emergency and critical care. TN EMSC provides ongoing education and training so that the best care is given to every critically ill or injured child—no matter where they live."

—Rhonda G. Phillippi, RN, BA
Executive Director, TN EMSC

