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Mr. David Jones
Pennsylvania Emergency Health Services Council
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Dear Mr. Jones

Thank you for the recommendation of the Pennsylvania Emergency Health Services Council (PEHSC), dated March 18, 2020

(1) VTR#: 0320-01 Update to Pediatric Voluntary Recognition Program – PECC

Recommendation – The Department of Health should accept the following revision (attached) to the current Pediatric Voluntary Recognition Program (PVRP). This revision will designate of the Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinator (PECC) at the master and expert levels. This VTR supersedes VTR 0619-01 by amending a new implementation date of July 1, 2020

DOH Response – The Department thanks PEHSC for this recommendation. The Department agrees with this recommendation and approves the requested changes to the PVRP criteria at the master and expert levels, to occur no sooner than July 1, 2020 to allow for adequate stakeholder education on the purpose and role of the Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinator. Furthermore, considering the current COVID-19 pandemic the Department would have no objection should the Emergency Medical Services for Children Coordinator choose to delay implementation to a date no later than September 1, 2020.

The Department of Health extends our thanks to the State EMS Advisory Council for the Quality and relevance of this recommendation.

Professionally,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dylan J. Ferguson', written in a cursive style.

Dylan J Ferguson
Director
Bureau of Emergency Medical Services