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TO: Region 11 EMS Providers  
Region 11 EMS Participating Hospitals

FROM: **REGION 11 EMS MEDICAL DIRECTORS CONSORTIUM**

SUBJECT: **ENDEAVOR HEALTH SWEDISH HOSPITAL EDAP UPDATE**

Effective January 13, 2026, Endeavor Health Swedish Hospital is now recognized as an Emergency Department Approved for Pediatrics (EDAP) within the Region 11 EMS Systems.

As a result, Endeavor Health Swedish Hospital has been added to the Region 11 list of designated EDAP centers, and the [Pediatric Patient Destination Policy](#) has been updated accordingly.

Please make sure that all Region 11 Base Station staff and EMS providers are aware of this change and appropriately transport pediatric patients to the closest, most appropriate facility in accordance with regional policy.

Attached you will find the updated policy.

Please contact your Resource Hospital with any questions

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Enclosed: Updated Region 11 Pediatric Patient Destination Policy – Effective January 13, 2025

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# **PEDIATRIC PATIENT DESTINATION**

## **I. PURPOSE**

- A. Identify pediatric patients with complex conditions that require transport to a designated Pediatric Critical Care Center (PCCC).
- B. Identify pediatric patients with emergency conditions that require transport to a designated Emergency Department Approved for Pediatrics (EDAP).
- C. For pediatric trauma criteria and Level 1 Pediatric Trauma Centers, refer to the Trauma Patient Destination Policy.

## **II. PEDIATRIC CENTERS**

### **A. Pediatric Critical Care Center (PCCC)**

1. Hospitals that have a pediatric intensive care unit (PICU) and can provide specialty inpatient services for the pediatric patient.
2. All PCCC level centers must also maintain EDAP status.

### **B. Emergency Department Approved for Pediatrics (EDAP)**

1. Hospitals that can provide comprehensive emergency services and meet pediatric emergency care requirements.
2. Pediatric emergency care requirements include appropriately trained staff, effective processes (policies, guidelines, training requirements, and quality improvement initiatives), and resources (medications, supplies, and equipment) to care for children who present to the emergency department (ED).

### **C. Emergency Department Without Pediatric Designation**

1. Hospitals that can stabilize and may transfer pediatric patients.

## **III. PEDIATRIC DESTINATION CRITERIA**

### **A. Pediatric Critical Care Center (PCCC)**

1. Pediatric stroke
2. Other complex conditions that require specialty care in consultation with online medical control



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**B. Emergency Department Approved for Pediatrics (EDAP)**

1. Pediatric cardiac arrest (preferentially PCCC)
2. Status epilepticus
3. Brief Resolved Unexplained Event (BRUE)
4. Abandoned newborn

**C. Emergency Department Without Pediatric Designation**

1. Low acuity conditions

**IV. HOSPITAL COMMUNICATION**

- A. All pediatric patient transports are considered Systems of Care patients and require contact with Online Medical Control.
- B. When possible, preferential transport to the pediatric patient's medical home can facilitate timely and efficient care.
- C. Region 11 Hospitals that are Base Stations with PCCC capabilities may be contacted preferentially for Online Medical Control including refusals.
  1. Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago
  2. UChicago Medicine Comer Children's Hospital



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### **PEDIATRIC CRITICAL CARE CENTER (PCCC)**

Advocate Christ Medical Center  
 Advocate Lutheran General Hospital  
 Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago\*  
 Loyola University Medical Center  
 Rush University Medical Center  
 UChicago Medicine Comer Children's Hospital\*  
 UI Health

### **EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT APPROVED FOR PEDIATRICS (EDAP)**

Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center  
 Ascension Saint Joseph Hospital - Chicago  
 Endeavor Health Swedish Hospital  
 John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County\*  
 Loyola MacNeal Hospital  
 Mount Sinai Hospital  
 Northwestern Memorial Hospital  
 OSF Little Company of Mary Medical Center  
 Prime Healthcare Saint Francis Hospital  
 Prime Healthcare Saint Mary of Nazareth Hospital  
 Saint Anthony Hospital  
 West Suburban Medical Center

The following Region 11 Emergency Departments are **NOT** designated by the Illinois Department of Public Health Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) program as having the essential resources and capabilities in place to meet the emergency and critical care needs of seriously ill children:

Advocate Trinity Hospital  
 Prime Healthcare Resurrection  
 Medical Center  
 Community First Medical Center  
 Holy Cross Hospital  
 Humboldt Park Health  
 Insight Hospital and Medical Center  
 Jackson Park Hospital & Medical  
 Center

Jesse Brown Veterans  
 Administration Medical Center  
 Loretto Hospital  
 Provident Hospital of Cook County  
 Roseland Community Hospital  
 Saint Bernard Hospital & Health  
 Care Center  
 South Shore Hospital  
 Thorek Memorial Hospital

**\*Region 11 Pediatric Level I Trauma Centers**

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