



**REGION 11
CHICAGO EMS SYSTEM
POLICY**

Title: Pediatric Skills
Section: EMS Education
Approved: EMS Medical Directors Consortium
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PEDIATRIC SKILLS

I. PURPOSE

To define pediatric skills requirements for EMTs and Paramedics under the Region 11 Chicago EMS Systems.

II. POLICY

- A. Must participate in a skills-based course as defined by one of the following options once in a four-year period.
 - 1. Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)
 - 2. Advanced Pediatric Life Support (APLS)
 - 3. Pediatric Education for Prehospital Professionals (PEPP)
 - 4. Pediatric Emergency Assessment, Recognition and Stabilization Course (PEARS)
 - 5. Emergency Pediatric Care (EPC)
 - 6. Neonatal Resuscitation Program (NRP)
 - 7. Neonatal Advanced Life Support (NALS)
 - 8. Other EMS System approved “Pediatric Skills” course with psychomotor component.
- B. EMS personnel should upload a copy of the completion certificate into the “Pediatric Skills Certificate” credential in their Region 11 EMS Vector Solutions profile.
- C. EMS personnel should additionally upload the completion certificate to the “Pediatric core content category” to earn CE hours.
- D. It is the responsibility of the EMS personnel complete this requirement and the EMS agency to verify completion for reporting to the EMS System.
- E. Failure to complete this requirement may result in suspension of EMS System participation.