

5.10 Pediatric Readiness—Type II

Applicable Levels

LI, LII, LIII, PTCL, PTCII

Definition and Requirements

In all trauma centers, each emergency department must perform a pediatric readiness assessment during the verification cycle and have a plan to address identified gaps.

Additional Information

“Pediatric readiness” refers to infrastructure, administration and coordination of care, personnel, pediatric-specific policies, equipment, and other resources that ensure the center is prepared to provide care to an injured child.

The components that define readiness are available in the Resources section below.

Measures of Compliance

- Pediatric Readiness Assessment Gap Report
- Plan to address gaps identified through the pediatric readiness assessment

Resources

Pediatric readiness assessment: <https://www.pedsready.org/>

Other resources to address deficiencies: <https://emscimprovement.center/domains/pediatric-readiness-project/readiness-toolkit/>

References

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