**A TALE OF TWO ASSESSMENTS**

There are currently two complementary assessments underway targeting pediatric readiness of emergency departments (EDs). These assessments are led by two different organizations and have similar, yet distinct goals.

**Your participation in both assessments will contribute to the improvement of emergency care for children across all U.S. EDs.** We encourage you to review the chart below to better understand how each of these efforts can benefit you and your ED, and to learn the differences between the two assessments:

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| **Assessment** | **National Emergency Department Inventory (NEDI)-USA** | **Joint National Pediatric Readiness Project Assessment** |
| **Sponsoring Organizations** | [**Emergency Medicine Network (EMNet**](http://www.emnet-usa.org/marc.htm)**)**, an international research collaboration based in the Department of Emergency Medicine at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston | HRSA [**Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC)**](https://emscimprovement.center/)Program in partnership with the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP), and the Emergency Nurses Association (ENA). |
| **Goal** | To better understand the nature of U.S. emergency departments (EDs) in order to perform health services research on U.S. emergency care – including identifying gaps in access to high-quality emergency care.  Another goal is to update the publicly available smartphone app,*[EMNet findERnow](http://www.findernow.org/)*. The purpose of *findERnow* is to quickly find the distance and directions from your location, or a searched location, to the closest EDs, anywhere in the U.S. | To ensure all U.S. and territory Emergency Departments (ED) have appropriate resources to provide high quality emergency care to children.  The initiative is based on the 2018 Joint Policy Statement "Pediatric Readiness in the Emergency Department" co-authored by the AAP, ACEP, ENA. The National Pediatric Readiness Assessment allows a participating hospital to identify pediatric ED specific gaps, benchmark with similar facilities as well as follow improvement over time.   The National Pediatric Readiness Project Toolkit provides resources to assist in addressing identified gaps in pediatric readiness. |
| **Key Attributes** | **1.**  A 9-question assessment addressing the following key areas:   * Total and Pediatric Patient Volumes * Presence of a Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinator * Presence of a Pediatric Area in the ED * Availability of Telemedicine Services   **2.**A factsheet summarizing state-specific assessment results will be provided to all U.S. EDs.  **3.** ED-specific information is made available to the general public (including all EDs) through the [*EMNet findERnow*](http://www.findERnow.org) smartphone app. | **1.** A 60- question comprehensive assessment addressing the following areas from the 2018 Joint Policy Statement:   * Administration and Coordination * Physicians, Nurses, and Other ED Staff * Quality/Process Improvement in the ED * Pediatric Patient Safety * Policies, Procedures, and Protocols * Equipment, Supplies, and Medications   **2.** Immediate feedback upon competition of the assessment in the form of a Pediatric Readiness Score and a Gap Analysis Report.  **3.** Free access to our [Pediatric Readiness Resource Toolkit](https://emscimprovement.center/projects/pediatricreadiness/readiness-toolkit/)to help your ED understand your score and improve the care of children in your ED. |
| **Link to Assessment** | To review or complete the current assessment, continue [**here**](https://redcap.partners.org/redcap/surveys/index.php?s=XLC48H43MN) | To review and participate in the OI project based on the 2018 guidelines, click  [**here**](https://emscimprovement.center/documents/929/PediatricReadinessAssessment_2018_IrEZtpA.pdf) |
| **Open Dates** | Originally launched in 2003, the NEDI-USA assessment is conducted annually from January-August. | The assessment will be launched in June of 2020 updated based on the 2018 joint policy statement. |
| **Funding Source** | Private  [EMNet](http://www.emnet-usa.org/marc.htm), an international research collaboration based in the Department of Emergency Medicine at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston  [R Baby Foundation,](http://www.rbabyfoundation.org/) a nonprofit foundation established in 2006 with the mission of promoting quality of pediatric emergency care and service through supporting education, research, treatment, training and life-saving equipment.  For additional information, please visit the [NEDI-USA survey website.](http://www.emnet-usa.org/research/studies/nedi/nedi2019/) | Public  A collaborative supported in part by the AAP, ACEP, ENA, and the HRSA EMSC.  For additional information, please visit the [National Pediatric Readiness Project.](https://www.pedsready.org/) |