

# CT EMSC PECC Learning Collaborative Quality Improvement Storyboard

## WHO IS YOUR CORE TEAM?

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WHY ARE PREHOSPITAL PEDIATRIC EMERGENCY CARE COORDINATORS IMPORTANT TO THE CHILDREN IN YOUR STATE?

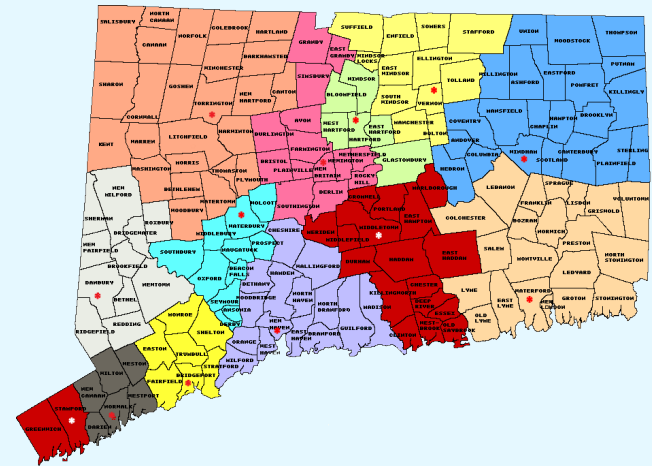
**CT is the 3rd smallest state in the country,  
yet the 4<sup>th</sup> most densely populated**

**Out of 3.6 million residents, 808,000 or  
22% are under the age of 18**

**2018 EMS survey results showed 4-6%  
of all 911 calls are for pediatric patients**

**Though low frequency, these are high risk events, many times critical**

**Only 22 agencies surveyed, 15%, reported already having a PECC**



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WHAT DOES THE PREHOSPITAL PECC SYSTEM IN YOUR STATE CURRENTLY LOOK LIKE?  
WHERE ARE YOU NOW?

**22 agencies reported having a PECC (15%)**

**26 agencies reported interest in a PECC (18%)**

**3 agencies planned to add a PECC (2%)**

**96 agencies did not indicate interest in a PECC (65%)**

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WHERE DO YOU WANT TO BE?  
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

**By March 31, 2019, CT EMSC will have established a PECC in all 26 interested agencies, as well as 3 agencies that planned to add a PECC. To date, we have established 26 new PECC's, 14 of whom did not indicate a prior interest.**

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## **CURRENT SUPPORTERS AND STAKEHOLDERS**

- **CT State Office of Emergency Medical Services**
- **CT EMS Advisory Board**
- **CT Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics**
- **CT EMSC Family Advisory Network**
- **CT Children's Emergency Preparedness Committee**
- **Regions 1, 2, 4, and 5 Health Care Coalitions**

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## HOW DO YOU GET THERE?

- **Meet with full advisory board upon return from Austin, to check in, receive feed back, and offer updates.**
- **Constantly keep a pulse on the “boots on the ground” and meet agencies where their abilities lie**
- **Ross’s Responders – Continue to promote pediatric skills training and education**
- **Support EMS as a whole entity and continue to build positive relationships**

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## **CHALLENGES**

**Time – everyone is stretched thin - be understanding and flexible**

**Budget – many town and agencies are faced with budget crises – work to keep costs at a minimum and work into current training budgets**

**New Concept – Continue to promote and advocate for PECC role – Become a torchlighter**