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Senate Bill 243

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to emergency medical services for children.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. { + (1) Subject to available funding from gifts, grants or donations, the Emergency Medical Services for Children Program is established in the Health Division. The Emergency Medical Services for Children Program shall operate in cooperation with the Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Systems Program to promote the delivery of emergency medical and trauma services to the children of Oregon.

- (2) The Health Division shall:
- (a) Employ or contract with professional, technical, research and clerical staff as required to implement this section
- (b) Provide technical assistance to the State Trauma Advisory

Board on the integration of an emergency medical services for children program into the statewide emergency medical services and trauma system.

- (c) Provide advice and technical assistance to area trauma advisory boards on the integration of an emergency medical services for children program into area trauma system plans.
- (d) Establish an Emergency Medical Services for Children Advisory Committee.
 - (e) Establish guidelines for:
 - (A) The approval of emergency and critical care medical service facilities for pediatric care, and for the designation of specialized regional pediatric critical care centers and pediatric trauma care centers.
 - (B) Referring children to appropriate emergency or critical care medical facilities.
 - (C) Necessary prehospital and other pediatric emergency and critical care medical service equipment.
 - (D) Developing a coordinated system that will allow children to receive appropriate initial stabilization and treatment with timely provision of, or referral to, the appropriate level of care, including critical care, trauma care or pediatric subspecialty care.
 - (E) Protocols for prehospital and hospital facilities encompassing all levels of pediatric emergency services, pediatric critical care and pediatric trauma care.
 - (F) Rehabilitation services for critically ill or injured children.
 - (G) An interfacility transfer system for critically ill or injured children.

- (H) Initial and continuing professional education programs for emergency medical services personnel, including training in the emergency care of infants and children.
- (I) A public education program concerning the Emergency Medical Services for Children Program including information on emergency access telephone numbers.
 - (J) The collection and analysis of statewide pediatric emergency and critical care medical services data from emergency and critical care medical service facilities for the purpose of quality improvement by such facilities, subject to relevant confidentiality requirements.
 - (K) The establishment of cooperative interstate relationships to facilitate the provision of appropriate care for pediatric patients who must cross state borders to receive emergency and critical care services.
- (L) Coordination and cooperation between the Emergency Medical Services for Children Program and other public and private organizations interested or involved in emergency and critical care for children. + }

SECTION 2. { + To assist the Legislative Assembly in assessing the adequacy of pediatric trauma care in Oregon, the Health Division shall produce and deliver to the Emergency Board by June 30, 2002, a report describing the progress of the implementation of section 1 of this 2001 Act. The report shall contain, but not be limited to, a description of current pediatric trauma care services available on both the state and local levels, recommendations for training, triage and field assessment protocols, recommendations for special medical equipment for pediatric trauma care and an estimate of the cost of caring for children with traumatic head and spinal injuries and of the number of children served by the emergency medical services and trauma system in this state. + }

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