



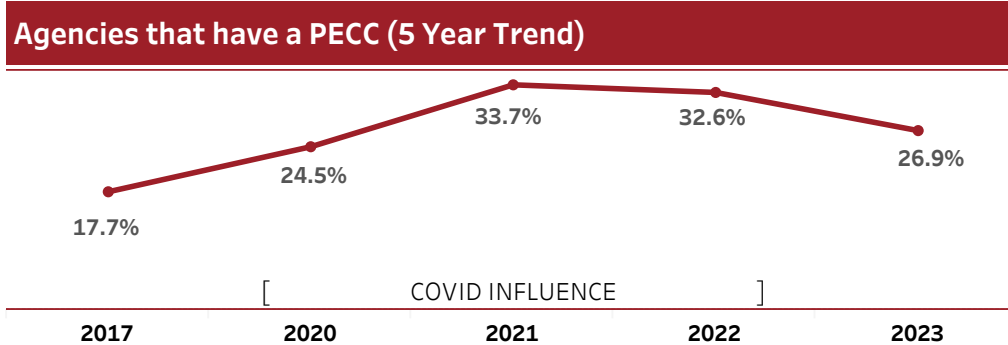
2023 New Hampshire EMS Pediatric Survey Results

The data shown here are results from the 2023 EMS for Children (EMSC) Survey of EMS agencies regarding certain aspects of readiness to treat children. The agencies surveyed were those that respond to 911 calls. The state response rate was 68% (160 of 234 agencies).

Coordination of Care

Designating an individual to serve as a pediatric emergency care coordinator (PECC) is recommended as a way to increase the readiness of EMS agencies to care for children. PECCs engage in responsibilities such as ensuring clinicians have frequent pediatric training and overseeing the availability of pediatric medication, equipment and supplies.¹

EMSC grantees are working to support and develop PECCs in EMS agencies nationwide. The graph below shows the percentage of agencies with a PECC, as surveyed over time.



¹ [Institute of Medicine. Committee on the Future of Emergency Care in the US Health System. Emergency Care for Children: Growing Pains.](#) Washington, DC: National Academies Press; 2007

² ["A randomized controlled trial to assess decay in acquired knowledge among paramedics completing a pediatric resuscitation course."](#) Acad Emerg Med. 2000 Jul., Su E, et al.

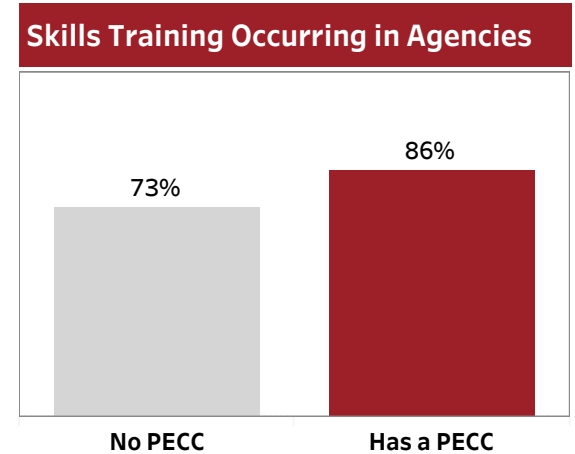
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Skills Training

Most EMS clinicians don't see pediatric patients on a regular basis. Maintaining skills in using pediatric-specific equipment to address the unique needs of children can be difficult. Without regular training, skills can deteriorate in as little as six months.²

This graph shows that having a PECC increases the likelihood of training occurring for care of children.

Nationally, EMS agencies with a PECC are nearly twice as likely to have moderate to extensive skills training than agencies without a PECC.



Prehospital Pediatric Readiness Project

In 2024, the EMSC Program is launching a comprehensive assessment of all EMS agencies (that respond to 911 calls) to more fully evaluate EMS agency readiness to care for children. Please join us in promoting this important effort to ensure the best care possible for the children of New Hampshire!

Learn more at PediatricReadiness.org.

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