The Acute Health Systems (AHS) within the Office of EMS is growing! Kent Wilson, A.A.S, B.S., NRP, whom many of you may know from OEMS Education, transferred to AHS on October 1, 2019, taking on the role of Cardiac System Coordinator. Mr. Wilson will be very busy working with EMS providers and hospitals to implement a statewide system.

Every year in the United States more than 300,000 people suffer an out of hospital cardiac arrest (OCHA) and approximately 90% of these events are fatal. To help combat this the Alabama Department of Public Health OEMS has partnered with Emory University to establish the statewide use of the Cardiac Arrest Registry to Enhance Survival (CARES) system. CARES is a secure, webbased data management system used to create a uniform and reliable data base for the collection of OCHA events. The use of CARES will allow each service to access their statistics and compare their performance to deidentified statistics at the local, state, and national levels. The use of a reliable database to capture these events will allow EMS providers to improve the quality of care provided to the communities. The OEMS will use the statewide data to improve the quality of care throughout the state. We are looking forward to implementing the CARES system and the improvements that it will provide to Alabama.

Dr. Shea Duerring was recently announced as the Assistant State EMS Medical Director for Pediatrics. He is also the new Principal Investigator and Medical Director for the EMSC program. Dr. Duerring earned his bachelor’s degree from Hampden-Sydney College and his medical degree from Eastern Virginia Medical School. He completed his internship and residency in pediatrics at Children’s Hospital of The King’s Daughters and fellowship in pediatric emergency medicine at UAB. Dr. Duerring is a board certified pediatric emergency medicine physician at Children’s of Alabama and is also a Nationally Registered paramedic. He will be working hand in hand with the OEMS and Dr. William Crawford, State EMS Medical Director, to promote pediatric emergency care in Alabama. Dr. Duerring was also instrumental in writing the most recent pediatric protocol updates and will be working with the OEMS to provide pediatric education.
**EMSC Equipment Grant Applications**

Please be on the lookout for the 2nd round of EMSC equipment grant applications. They will be released before the end of the year. We look forward to providing more pediatric restraints to our transport services.

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Provider Service Inspections
These inspections were completed April-June, 2019.

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Advantage Ambulance-Etowah County
Air Evac-Cullman County
ASAP-Washington County
Ashford Rescue
Attalla Fire Department
Baker Hill Fire Rescue
Birmingham Fire
Birmingham Fire Department
Brantley Fire & Rescue
Brookside Fire Rescue
Care Ambulance-Dallas County
Care Ambulance-Lowndes County
Care Ambulance-Montgomery County
Cedar Grove Fire Department
Clio Rescue Squad
Concord Fire District
Cullman EMS
Dothan Ambulance Service
Dothan Fire Department
East Alabama EMS
East Alabama Fire District
Eufaula Rescue Squad
Forestdale Fire District
Gadsden Fire Department
Gantt Area Volunteer Rescue Squad
Gardendale Fire Department
Graysville Fire Department
Green Pond Fire Department
Haynes Ambulance-Autauga
Haynes Ambulance-Macon
HEMSI
Highland Home Vol Fire & Rescue
Hueytown Fire Rescue
Huntsville Fire Department
International Paper
Irondale Fire Department
Jemison Fire & Rescue
Kimberly Fire Department
Lamar Ambulance
Leeds Fire and Rescue
Lifeguard Ambulance
Louisville Fire and Rescue
Luverne Rescue Squad
Madison Fire Department
McAdory Fire District
Minor Heights Fire District
Mount Olive Fire Department
Mountain Brook Fire Department
New Site Volunteer Fire Department
North Lamar Fire and Rescue
Northstar-Jefferson County
Opportunity EMS
Palmerdale Fire District
Pleasant Grove Fire & Rescue Service
RAMS
Rehobeth Volunteer Rescue
Rocky Ridge Fire Department
RPS-Cullman County
RPS-Marion County
RPS-Walker County
RPS-Winston County
Shoals Ambulance-Jefferson County
Southside Fire Department
Sumiton Fire Department
Sylvan Springs Fire Department
US Steel
Vinemont Fire Department
Warrior Fire Department
West Jefferson Fire & Rescue
West Point Fire District
Wicksburg Fire Rescue
Some e-PCR Points of Clarification:

1. It is a requirement to complete a patient care report on every response. This office is already monitoring submission rates and comparative data suggests that many agencies are not reporting all runs as required. Please submit all required runs to avoid noncompliance.

2. Each record must be submitted electronically within 72 hours or less. The goal is to eventually narrow that down to within 24 hours. The 24 hour reporting allows Public Health to monitor surveillance trends as required by the Federal emergency preparedness guidelines.

3. Our IT staff is always available to assist you with your e-PCR needs. If you need assistance, you may call Chris or Lori at 334-206-5383. You may get a voice recording depending on the call volume. They will eventually get back to you. If you do not hear from them within a reasonable time, you may wish to email them (emsis@adph.state.al.us).

4. Collecting and importing data is paramount only to reporting reliable data. Reliable data is accurate and contains no errors. When one looks for shortcuts and/or skips data entry in areas that has been discovered to have no validation rules, it dilutes the integrity of the data, not to mention falsifies a legal document. Please make sure you enter data accurately.