

EMS Information Bulletin 2017-21

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SUBJECT: Allowance of multiple pediatric safe transport devices

TO:

Pennsylvania EMS providers Pennsylvania EMS agencies

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On July 5, 2017, The Bureau of EMS (Bureau) released EMS Information Bulletin 2017-11 related to the requirement of pediatric safe transport devices. To further clarify the Bureau's informational bulletin, an agency may utilize a single or multiple devices to meet the requirement of having a pediatric safe transport device as identified in EMS Information Bulletin 2017-11. The device or devices (if multiple – must collectively meet) must meet the weight requirements identified of 10 to 99 pounds (4.5 - 45 kg).

The Bureau strongly recommends that each agency consult with their agency medical director when selecting a device or devices to meet this requirement, as well as address patients that may present outside of the established weight range so that the agency can provide for the care and transport of pediatric patients within the commonwealth.

While the Bureau cannot recommend one specific product, a list of currently available products is available on the PA EMS for Children website at www.paemsc.org/safetransport.