



Children’s Health Information Red Pack (CHIRP)

EMSC has worked with many of our partners to create a registry for children with complicated healthcare needs. This is the Children’s Health Information Red Pack (CHIRP) Program.

Purpose: to provide a way of giving key emergency health information to EMS responding to a call on a child with special healthcare needs (CSHCN) in order to improve the care of these children.

Who does it serve?

- **Parents of CSHCN**
 - Once enrolled, a parent can easily update their child’s changing medical needs, medications, and recommendations online. Knowing that their child has up-to-date information available to anyone caring for their child can give them peace of mind.
- **EMS**
 - It satisfies the HIPPA requirements to allow you (the EMS provider) access to medical information on a particular child in your service area, a child that you will likely have to respond to. It also promotes easy access to current key information when you get that call.

Who can be enrolled? Children with...

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| Frequent seizures | Tracheostomy |
| Ventilator dependency– CPAP / BIPAP | Congenital heart disease |
| Severe asthma with past admittance to ICU | Severe Autism |
| Complex respiratory and cardiology needs | Brittle Diabetes |
| Neurologically compromised | |

What happens after they are enrolled?

- The information will be reviewed by the EMSC Clinical Consultant RN
- Parents will be sent the following at no charge:
 - A letter explaining the program
 - Two document vials to store current copies of the Health Information Sheet
 - One to go in the red pack to be kept with the child at all times
 - The other to go in the door of the refrigerator (most homes have one)
 - An EMSC sticker for the inside of the main door at the child’s residence
 - An EMSC magnet for the fridge containing the vial
- In the program letter we will give parents the contact information for the EMS agencies in their home zone and encourage them to educate local providers
- EMSC is working on a way to “flag” these homes in the dispatch system

For more information

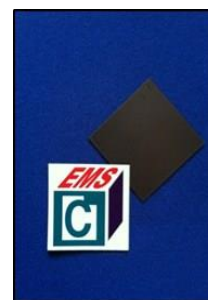
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Parents are sent two vials to keep up-to-date medical info in. One to stay with the child in the red bag, the other to be kept in the fridge of the child’s home



You will find an EMSC sticker on the inside of the door, signaling that up-to-date medical info is kept in a vial in the fridge



A magnet is placed on the fridge containing the vial

HOW TO ENROLL A CHILD

For on-line completion and updating of the Emergency Health Information Sheet

go online to:

www.health.utah.gov/ems/emsc