New Illinois EMSC website
Check out our new website! It has a new look as well as more streamlined and user friendly features. The previous URL will still link to the new site after refreshing the page. NOTE: We highly recommend updating to the following new URL for the Illinois EMSC website:  www.stritch.luc.edu/emsc

Ron W. Lee, MD – Excellence in Pediatric Care awards
Each year, IDPH and the EMSC program recognizes individuals and organizations who have gone above and beyond in pediatric care. The 2016 award recipients are listed below:

- **Lifetime Achievement** – Leslie Livett, RN, MS, EMS/Trauma Nurse Coordinator, Presence Saint Joseph Medical Center, Joliet
- **Clinical Excellence** – Stathis Poulakidas, MD, Burn/Trauma Surgeon, Stroger Hospital of Cook County, Chicago
- **Community Service** – Lake Zurich Fire Department.

Illinois EMSC Advisory Board open positions
The board has an open position for an Illinois State Police representative. The board meets quarterly from 10:00am – 12:00pm at the Illinois Hospital Assn, Naperville with video conferencing in Springfield and conference call/GoToMeetings capabilities. If interested, please contact Evelyn.Lyons@illinois.gov.

New National EMSC Resource Center
A new resource center at Baylor Texas Children’s Hospital in Houston, Texas has been awarded funding. This newly established EMSC Innovation and Improvement Center (EIIC) was launched on July 1, 2016, and will serve to support the Federal EMSC program improve pediatric outcomes of care through the following six domains: Systems Integration, Innovation, Evidence Generation, Quality Improvement, Infrastructure Development and Accountability.

Pediatric Facility Recognition
- **Renewal Updates**
  - Region 11 hospital surveys are in the process of being scheduled for Fall/Early Winter 2016.
  - Regions 1, 9 & 10 will undergo PCCC/EDAP, EDAP or SEDP renewal in 2017.
  - The *Hospital Pediatric Preparedness Toolkit* was rolled out in early 2016, and contains an updated pediatric disaster checklist that is now being used for all pediatric facility recognition surveys.

Pediatric Education
- Nine (9) School Nurse Emergency Care (SNEC) courses were conducted this summer with over 200 school nurses in attendance at the following locations: Elgin, Joliet, Marion, Oak Brook, Peoria, Rockford, Skokie and Springfield. This course provides school nurses with emergency/disaster preparedness education and resources to assist in their practice.
- EMSC educational modules available online include the *Disaster Mental Health Response for Children*, *Pediatric Hyperglycemia and DKA*, *Pediatric Rapid Response Teams: Guidelines for Implementing a Team* and *Pediatric Seizures* modules. Each module has an approved IDPH site code for continuing education hours (nurses and EMTs). Access the modules at [http://www.publichealthlearning.com](http://www.publichealthlearning.com)

Preparedness
- The *Regional Pediatric Resource Directory* has been revised/distributed, and provides hospital reference information on all Illinois acute care hospitals, including pediatric capabilities such as PCCC/EDAP/SEDP designations, perinatal level, and PICU/NICU contact information. Revisions include a reference to the *ESF-8 Plan: Pediatric and Neonatal Surge Annex’s Decompression Category definitions to guide users on where to obtain more information*. In addition, the *Burn Centers/Units that Manage Children* page is expanded to include all burn centers/units in Illinois and border states, along with a reference to the *ESF-8 Plan: Burn Surge Annex*.
- The *Emergency Preparedness Planning Guide for Child Care Centers & Child Care Homes* is available and was distributed to child care centers/child care homes in Illinois to assist with their disaster planning and development of an emergency plan. This document is on the Illinois EMSC website or printed copies are available.
- An *Assessment and Initial Care of Burn Patients* poster and *EMS Burn Resource* pocketcards are available through the EMSC office. These resources review review key burn assessment and management elements.
**Data Initiatives**

- **2014 Traffic Crash Fact Sheets** – These 11 fact sheets (developed by EMSC) are based on 2014 IDOT Crash data and provide statistics related to traffic safety and motor vehicle incidents in Illinois. Available at [http://www.luhs.org/depts/emsc/13_crash_info.htm](http://www.luhs.org/depts/emsc/13_crash_info.htm).

- The EMS Reporting System is a web-based query system that provides online access to state injury, illness and hospitalization trending for all age patients. Access the system at [http://app.idph.state.il.us/emsrpt](http://app.idph.state.il.us/emsrpt).