November 2nd, 2017

To whom this may concern,

Dayton Children’s Hospital is pleased to share that we have been awarded a grant from the Maxon Foundation that will enable us to provide pediatric emergency medical equipment (Pedibags) to EMS units in our 20-county service area at no cost to your community. Through this generous grant, we will provide brand new fully stocked pedibags or replacement equipment and pedibag training to qualifying paramedic units.

The Maxon Foundation was founded by the late Glenway W. Maxon Jr. in order to perpetuate the legacy of philanthropy in the communities in which Mr. Maxon lived and worked. The mission of the foundation is to improve the quality of healthcare in targeted communities that have limited access to these services.

Dayton Children’s is thrilled to align with the mission of the Maxon Foundation through our Pedibag program. Through this program, we provide EMS units with the proper equipment and training necessary to handle the medical emergency of children ranging in sizes from the tiniest infant to an adult-sized high school linebacker. This program is the most effective way to ensure that our children stand their best chance during an EMS emergency.

Dayton Children’s overarching goal for the Pedibag program is for every child treated in an EMS unit during a medical emergency to survive and have no long-term complications from their injury or illness.

We ultimately strive for:

1) A decrease in children admitted to Dayton Children’s who were first treated in a paramedic unit that used Pedibag equipment.

2) A decrease in mortality rates of children who were first treated in a paramedic unit that used Pedibags.

3) Improvement in overall outcomes of children treated in EMS units.

If any of your community’s units are in need of either fully-stocked Pedibags or replacement equipment, please complete and return the attached application to me. Applications will be reviewed on a first-come, first serve basis with **priority given to communities that are rural and/or have limited resources** for new EMS equipment. All EMS units who receive Pedibag equipment are required to receive training on the use of Pedibags from Dayton Children’s if you have never received training previously. If you have any questions or desire additional information, please contact me at (937) 641-4534 or [KossH@childrensdayton.org](mailto:KossH@childrensdayton.org).

**Pedibag Needs Assessment**

Dayton Children’s has been awarded a grant to help provide and update Pedi-bags. In order for us to be good stewards with the grant monies and help as many EMS departments as possible, we are asking you to assess your needs for new or updated equipment/outdated supplies. Please identify your Pedi-bag needs and submit your requests no later than **Tuesday, January 16th, 2018**. Our goal is to provide what is needed to as many squads as possible.

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Address of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Contact person information: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Ambulances in your department: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Do you currently have Pedibags in your program?

* Yes If yes, How Many? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* No

How many of your current Pedibags are in need of repair or replacement? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Does your department currently use the King Airway? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Would your department benefit by having pediatric size King Airways available in the Pedibag? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please tell us about your need for new for the new Pedibags: (Attach additional page)

Sincerely,

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