

## What do EDAPs offer?

- Equipment specially designed for pediatric patients
- A staff of physicians and nurses who are trained in both pediatric emergency medicine and pediatric advanced life support
- A Medical Director who is responsible for assuring quality of care by reviewing pediatric patient medical records.
- The ED Nurse Manager/Director and Pediatric Liaison Nurse oversees the quality improvement program and ensures the EDAP meets established standards

## Did you know?

- Pediatric patients who require emergency medical care are taken directly to an EDAP by paramedics through the 9-1-1 system.
- EDAPs were first established in 1985 and are unique to L.A. County.
- Before the formation of EDAPs, the appropriate pediatric equipment was not available in all emergency departments.
- EDAPs participate in a variety of research projects, including the pediatric airway study, which compared different methods of delivering oxygen to children during an emergency.
- The Emergency Medical Services Agency monitors EDAPs to ensure that L.A. County children receive the highest quality emergency care possible.
- The Pediatric Advisory Committee comprised of physicians and nurses with pediatric expertise advises the EMS Agency on pediatric related issues



## KIDS IN HOT CARS

**CALL 9-1-1**

**IF YOU SEE A CHILD IN A HOT CAR, DON'T HESITATE TO ACT. GET HIM OR HER OUT IMMEDIATELY.**

### Always Look Before You Lock

Always check the back seats of your vehicle before your lock it and walk away.

### Keep in Mind a Child's Sensitivity to Heat

In 10 minutes, a car's temperature can rise over 20 degrees.

Even at an outside temperature of 60 degrees, the temperature inside your car can reach 110 degrees. A child dies when his/her body temperature reaches 107 degrees.

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Emergency  
Departments  
Approved for  
Pediatrics



**EDAP**



# EDAP

## What is an Emergency Department Approved for Pediatrics (EDAP)?

EDAPs are hospitals that voluntarily meet specific standards established for the care of children aged 14 years and under. The hospitals have pediatric-sized equipment and specially trained staff to address children’s unique medical needs.

## Why are EDAPs important?

The needs of children are different from those of adults. Children have a different spectrum of disease, and their smaller bodies require specialized medical procedures and equipment that take into account their size and stage of development. In addition, when children are sick or in pain, they may not express their concerns the same way an adult would. Pediatric advocates feel that children in need of medical care do better when taken care of by physicians and nurses who are trained to attend to both a child’s physical and emotional needs.

# Los Angeles County Emergency Departments Approved For Pediatrics (EDAP)

1. Antelope Valley Hospital
2. Beverly Hospital
3. California Hospital Medical Center
4. Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
5. Centinela Hospital Medical Center
6. Children’s Hospital Los Angeles
7. Citrus Valley Medical Center–Queen of the Valley Campus
8. PIH Health Hospital–Downey
9. Encino Hospital Medical Center
10. Glendale Adventist Medical Center
11. Glendale Memorial Hospital and Health Center
12. Henry Mayo Newhall Memorial Hospital
13. Huntington Hospital
14. LAC Harbor-UCLA Medical Center
15. LAC Olive View-UCLA Medical Center
16. LAC+USC Medical Center
17. La Palma Intercommunity Hospital (Orange County)
18. Long Beach Memorial Medical Center
19. Los Robles Hospital & Medical Center (Ventura County)
20. Memorial Hospital of Gardena
21. Methodist Hospital of Southern California
22. Northridge Hospital Medical Center
23. Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center
24. PIH Health Hospital–Whittier
25. Providence Holy Cross Medical Center
26. Providence Little Company of Mary Medical Center San Pedro
27. Providence Little Company of Mary Medical Center Torrance
28. Providence Saint Joseph Medical Center
29. Providence Tarzana Medical Center
30. Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center
31. Santa Monica - UCLA Medical Center
32. Sherman Oaks Hospital
33. St. Francis Medical Center
34. St. Mary Medical Center
35. Torrance Memorial Medical Center
36. Valley Presbyterian Hospital
37. USC Verdugo Hills Hospital
38. West Hills Hospital and Medical Center
39. White Memorial Medical Center

*The EDAP program’s mission is to improve the quality of emergency care for pediatric patients in Los Angeles County.*