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# Guam Department of Public Health & Social Services Donates \$10,000 Worth of Pediatric Emergency Medical Equipment to the Guam Fire Department

Hagåtña, Guam — The Guam Department of Public Health and Social Services- Health Professional Licensing Office and Emergency Medical Services (DPHSS-HPLO/EMS) has generously donated a wide range of new pediatric emergency medical equipment to the Guam Fire Department (GFD), with a **total value of approximately \$10,000**.

This donation was made possible through federal funding under the Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) grant, which aims to improve emergency care for infants and children across the island.

This vital equipment strengthens GFD's ability to deliver high-quality emergency medical services for Guam's youngest patients, ensuring that responders are better prepared for pediatric emergencies.

Guam Fire Department Fire Chief Daren Burrier expressed gratitude for the donation, stating: "The safety and health of our community's children is one of our highest priorities. These tools directly enhance our ability to provide life-saving care in critical situations, and we thank DPHSS for their ongoing partnership and commitment to public safety."

"On behalf of the Guam Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) State Partnership Program, I am proud to announce the formal donation and transfer of specialized pediatric medical supplies and critical equipment to the Guam Fire Department (GFD), our essential partner in providing emergency care to the island's children." – Breanna B.F. Sablan, Acting Health Professional Licensing/EMS Administrator of DPHSS

The Guam Department of Public Health and Social Services remains committed to safeguarding the island's residents and will continue to work closely with Guam Fire Department and other community partners to advance emergency medical services across Guam.

This latest delivery is a direct result of our ongoing efforts through the federal EMSC grant to ensure that every ambulance and emergency room in Guam is pediatric-ready. It represents our

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unwavering commitment to enhancing the capacity of our first responders to deliver the highest standard of care to our youngest, most vulnerable patients, from neonates to adolescents.

The donated items include a range of age-appropriate resources, such as:

ALS pediatric kits Lifevac choking rescue device Pediatric restraints Glucose meters with lancets and test stripes Peroxide Pediatric airkit color yellow Blood pressure cuffs (child) Blood pressure cuffs (infant) 40 mm pink airways 50 mm blue airways 60 mm airways **CPAP** accessories Pediatric cervical collars Adult cervical collars Pediatric 3m stethoscope

The Guam EMSC Program's mission is to integrate pediatric care seamlessly into the existing emergency medical system, and there is no more vital link in that system than the GFD. Equipping your frontline personnel with these essential tools is a primary goal of our grant and a tangible investment in the health and safety of our community.

We recognize the immense challenges and dedication of the GFD. Please know that the EMSC Program stands ready to support your personnel with continued training and resources, now and in the future.

