Effect of a new pediatric emergency department on pediatric presentations to local general emergency departments

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Summary: Pediatric patients and their families preferentially use a pediatric emergency department (PED) for medical care when access to such a center exists in their community. In 2011, McMaster Children’s Hospital opened a dedicated pediatric emergency department. The primary purpose of this project is to examine if the CTAS distribution of pediatric patients at local general emergency departments (GEDs) has changed since the opening of the PED. Secondly, we will compare and contrast the characteristics of patients who visit the PED versus GED.

Presentation Objectives:
1. To provide a brief review of the current literature and an overview of the study proposal
2. To seek constructive feedback on the research proposal

All faculty, researchers, allied health staff, and trainees are welcome to attend.
*These are interactive sessions - we want to hear your feedback, questions and great ideas!*

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