# CHILDREN AND DISASTER CAUCUS

The IAEM-USA Children and Disaster Caucus exists to advocate for and facilitate the inclusion of the needs of children in emergency planning and response before, during, and after emergencies. We accomplish this by identifying issues related to children and disasters, working to identify solutions to those issues, and sharing the issues and solutions with the broader emergency management community. To this end, we collaborate with other organizations committed to the well-being and safety of children who may be affected by disasters. We endeavor to ensure the widest possible network for both identification of smart practices and dissemination of useful information and solutions throughout the emergency management family.





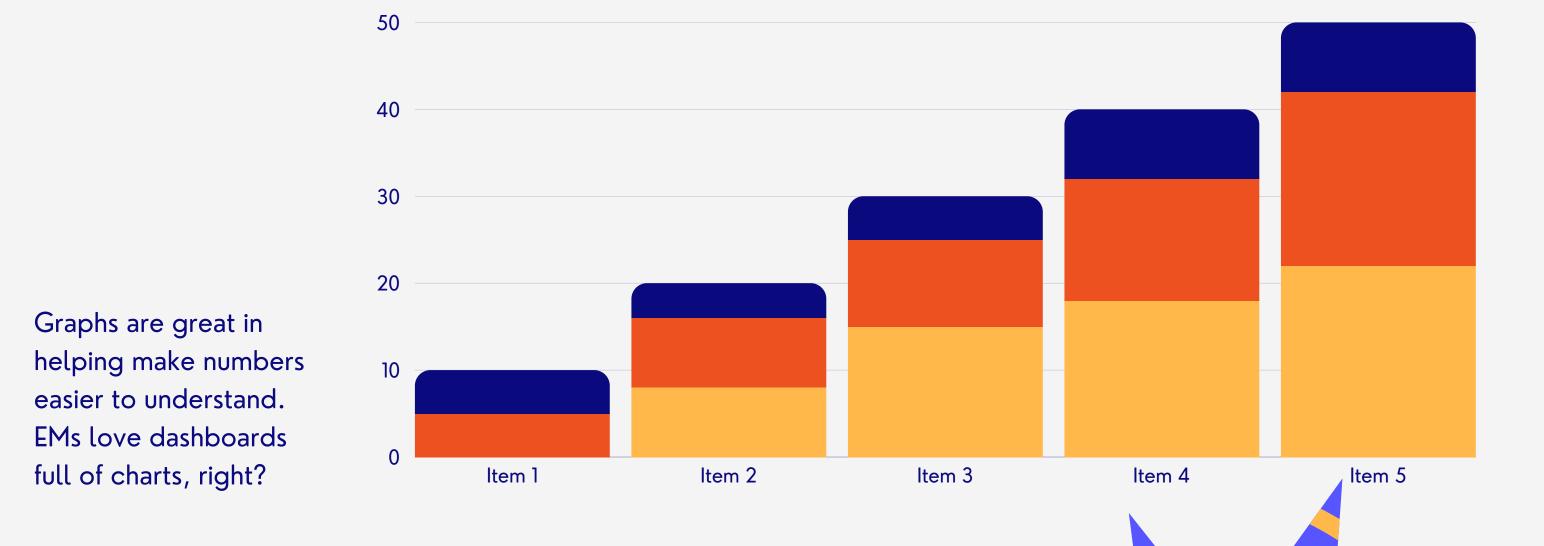


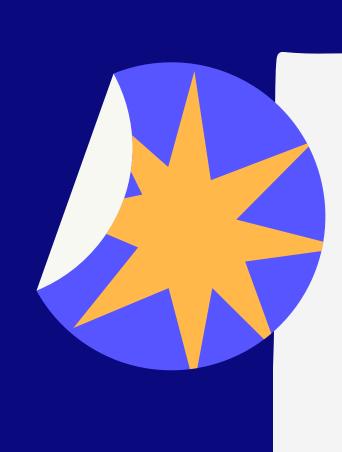
Posters are popular method of presenting research findings in a concise and visually pleasing manner. They are commonly used in conferences and meetings. Here is ours. Our mission statement is above. We meet about every other month online, and focus on both projects assigned by ourselves and to us, as well as presentations by outside individuals and groups with topics applicable to children and disasters.

This caucus is designed to be a catch-all for everything disaster and children related.

In the U.S., children (those under 18) make up 22.3% of our population. (US CENSUS DATA)

Wish we had a cool reason to show a neat graph like the one below, but we spend most of our caucus meetings - and time away from other meetings - talking about the real, tangible adverse impacts of disasters on children. Kids are not numbers, so this graph is basically taking up some space on this poster just to divert your attention here. Look to your right for info on a neato conference presentation you should attend!





### Related Literature

See what we are all about by joining our caucus -and checking out our work on IAEMConnect - we have our own 'community' or channel there. Scan the QR code to the right, or use https://bit.ly/IAEM\_CAD to get to our page with news, posts, meeting notes, etc.



## 04. RESULTS/FINDINGS

You can see our 'Objectives and Key Results' or (OKR) work in our community on <u>IAEMConnect</u>, including final results from our Board sponsored OKR: Assess the viability of a national K-12 youth preparedness curricula.

Be sure to check out the 'Library' tab in <u>IAEMConnect</u> for our community, for the file attachments, which include reports, documentation, etc.

### **IMPORTANT!**

Avoid using too much technical detail or using excessive jargon when presenting, even to EMs.

Special thanks to **Storm** and AshBritt for supporting our scholarship basket!



session on a new pediatric surge preparedness tool!



Scheduled for 1100-1200 Hours on Tuesday, November 19th. Check the conference scheduler or IAEM2Go mobile app for room specifics.

## 03. METHODOLOGY

Here's our background/methodology:

- We have been around since 2010
- Check out our Caucus' extensive library of links on our members-only page, fully migrated to <u>IAEMConnect</u> in 2024. See above for the link
- We meet every other month 6 times/year
- As with all committees and caucuses, you must be an active IAEM member to join
- We are always seeking new members who want to make a real-world inclusive, accessible, equitable difference for <u>all</u> <u>our</u> kids before, during and after disasters of any size, shape, or kind.

## 06. CONCLUSION

Make your own conclusion about who we are and what we do and if you want to meet with us at the conference, we have a 'welcome' meeting (all fun fluff, no serious stuff), slated for:

Wednesday, November 20th from 1600-16:45 hours. Check the conference scheduler or IAEM2Go mobile app for room specifics.