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PUBLIC NOTICE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE DEATH OF CHILDREN

DATE: Monday, February 13, 2006 **LOCATION:** This meeting will be a video conference with locations set in Carson City, Elko, and Las Vegas as noted below. Public attendees are welcome to participate from any of the designated locations.

TIME: 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
(or until adjourned)

CONTACT: Andrew Zeiser at 775.786.1328

LOCATIONS:

CARSON CITY: Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) Information Management Services Conference Room 727 Fairview Drive, Suite E Carson City, NV 89701	ELKO: Nevada Youth Training Center (NYTC) Conference Room 100 Youth Center Drive Elko, NV 89810	LAS VEGAS: Youth Parole Bureau Large Conference Room 620 Belrose Street Las Vegas, NV 89107
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Estimated Time:

AGENDA

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| 10:00 am – 10:10 am | 1. Call to order, roll call, introductions |
| | 2. * Approve minutes from previous Executive Committee meeting: October 17, 2005 |
| 10:10 am – 11:00 am | 3. * Project Updates: Nevada Institute for Children's Research and Policy (NICRP) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nevada Broadcasters Association (NBA) public awareness campaign• View and listen to campaign announcements completed to date• Calendar year 2004 and 2005 CDR data collection process, including regional use of CDR case reporting system• Regional CDR team technical support/evaluation meetings, data protocols, and confidentiality agreements• MOUs for information exchange between regional CDR teams and other entities• CCDFS participation in statewide case review process |
| 11:00 am – 11:30 am | 4. * Review and discuss legal procedures and concerns for issuing subpoenas for records requiring review by the regional CDR teams – Sharon Benson |
| 11:30 am – 12:00 pm | 5. Legal concerns surrounding Clark County Board of County Commissioners appointment of qualified individuals to serve on CCDFS special MDT to review child death – Sharon Benson and Susan Klein-Rothschild |

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	<i>Lunch</i>
1:30 pm – 1:50 pm	6. * Review and approve proposed bylaws for Executive Committee – Cyndi Sauchak and Andrew Zeiser <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review draft bylaws from Bylaw Subcommittee • Discuss changes to proposed content, if required
1:50 pm – 2:10 pm	7. * Update on Citizen Review Panel (CRP) Subcommittee – Marji Walker and Andrew Zeiser <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review special topics related to child fatality data • Review CRP Subcommittee membership and set meeting date
2:10 pm – 2:30 pm	8. * Planning for statewide CDR training – Marji Walker, Larry Robb, and Caroline Thomas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on tie-in with statewide emergency medical services (EMS) conference • Update on budget funds available for travel • Set dates and discuss requested topics • Update on request for funding to support Clark County Coroner training
2:30 pm – 2:50 pm	9. * Update on Clark County Child Fatality Review Process – Barbara Legier
2:50 pm – 3:10 pm	10. * Administrative Team Updates – Barbara Legier and Caroline Thomas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review Administrative Team responses to regional CDR team recommendations • Review 2005 performance indicator outcomes
3:10 pm – 3:30 pm	11. * Review and approval of 2004 Statewide Child Death Report – Andrew Zeiser <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An additional teleconference date will be set if the Executive Committee determines that another meeting is required to finalize the review and approval of the report prior to the March deadline
3:30 pm – 4:00 pm	12. * Review meeting calendar for 2006
	13. Public comment (Discussion only: Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item until scheduled on an agenda for action at a later meeting.)
	14. * Adjournment
	* <i>Denotes set or possible action items</i>

This notice and agenda has been posted at or before 9:00 am on the third working day before the meeting at the following locations:

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1677 Hot Springs Road, Carson City, NV

Children’s Cabinet
1090 S Rock Blvd., Reno, NV

Clark County Department of Family & Youth Services
601 N Pecos, Las Vegas, NV

Legislative Counsel Bureau
401 S Carson Street, Carson City, NV

State of Nevada – Department of Human Resources
Kinkead Building, Room 600
505 E King Street, Carson City, NV

State of Nevada – Division of Child and Family Services
711 East 5th Street, Carson City, NV

State of Nevada – Division of Child and Family Services
6171 W Charleston Blvd., Las Vegas, NV

**State of Nevada – Division of Child and Family Services
Information Management Services**
727 Fairview Drive, Suite E, Carson City, NV

**State of Nevada – Division of Child and Family Services
Nevada Youth Training Center (NYTC)**
100 Youth Center Drive, Elko, NV

**State of Nevada – Division of Child and Family Services
Youth Parole Bureau**
620 Belrose Street, Las Vegas, NV

United Way of Southern Nevada
1660 E Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV

Washoe County Department of Social Services
1001 E 9th Street, Reno, NV

Washoe County Library – South Valleys
15650A Wedge Parkway Reno, NV

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If assistance is required, please notify the Coordinator for the Committee by phone or by e-mail at the following telephone number or e-mail address no later than three working days prior to the meeting:

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**STATE OF NEVADA
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE DEATH OF CHILDREN
BYLAWS**

ARTICLE 1 – AUTHORIZATION AND PURPOSE

1.1 Authorization

The Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children is authorized by Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) Chapter 432B.409, Sections 1 through 3.

1.2 Purpose

Per NRS 432B.409 Section 2, the Executive Committee shall:

- (a) Adopt statewide protocols for the review of the death of a child;
- (b) Designate the members of an administrative team for the purposes of [NRS 432B.408](#);
- (c) Oversee training and development of multidisciplinary teams to review the death of children; and
- (d) Compile and distribute a statewide annual report, including statistics and recommendations for regulatory and policy changes.

The Executive Committee is also responsible for making decisions about funding initiatives to prevent child maltreatment and death, and working collaboratively with the Administrative Team and regional Child Death Review Teams toward this same goal.

ARTICLE 2 – STRUCTURE AND MEMBERSHIP

2.1 Structure

The Executive Committee is organized based on NRS 432B.409, Section 1 as follows:

The Administrator of the Division of Child and Family Services shall establish an Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children, consisting of representatives from multidisciplinary teams formed pursuant to [NRS 432B.405](#) and [432B.406](#), vital statistics, law enforcement, public health and the Office of the Attorney General.

2.2 Membership

Executive Committee membership requirements shall be based on NRS432B.409, Section 1. Representation from regional Child Death Review Teams shall include a minimum of one representative from each regional team, with preference given to the Chairs or Co-Chairs of the regional teams. Law enforcement representation should be drawn not only from State law

enforcement agencies, but also from local law enforcement agencies as well, such as county and city police departments.

2.3 Non-Discrimination

The Executive Committee shall not discriminate in any regard with respect to age, race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, religion, national origin, ancestry, pregnancy, parenthood, custody of a minor child, physical disability, or mental disability.

2.4 Proxies

A member may designate a proxy from the same membership category for any meeting. Advance notice must be given in writing to the Co-Chairs and/or administrative staff for the Executive Committee. Electronic mail is acceptable. Proxies may not represent Committee members for more than 50% of meetings held within a calendar year. Proxies may vote on behalf of the Committee member they represent.

ARTICLE 3 – OFFICERS AND ELECTIONS

3.1 Officers

The members of the Executive Committee shall elect two Co-Chairs. One Co-Chair shall be elected from the Clark County region, because Clark County represents the largest population base in the state and therefore the largest number of child deaths. The other Co-Chair shall be elected from the remaining geographic regions of the state.

3.2 Qualifications and Limitations

Members of the Executive Committee nominated for the office of Co-Chair shall be required to have participated in the child death review process undertaken by regional Child Death Review Teams. Nominees shall be drawn from the general membership of the Committee.

3.3 Terms of Office

The term of office for each Co-Chair shall be two years. Each officer shall serve until the election of a successor.

3.4 Officer Nominations and Elections

Elections for Executive Committee offices shall be held at the first regularly scheduled meeting falling on or after October 1 at the end of the current officers' two-year term. Elections will be staggered such that only one new Co-Chair is elected each year, while the remaining Co-Chair completes his or her two-year term.

A Nominating Subcommittee established by the Executive Committee may nominate candidates for open office positions, or Executive Committee members may make nominations from the floor. Each office shall be voted upon separately. If more than two nominees are selected for a single office, the lowest vote recipient shall be eliminated during each round of voting necessary until only two nominees remain. Nominees for offices who receive a majority vote for the office available shall be declared elected to that office, effective within 30 days of the meeting at which the election occurred.

3.5 Vacancies in Office

Any vacancies in office during an unexpired term shall be filled by an election of the Executive Committee and the person elected shall hold office for the remainder of the unexpired term of office.

ARTICLE 4 – MEETING ATTENDANCE

4.1 Attendance

Meeting attendance is required for each member of the Executive Committee for at least 50% of meetings scheduled within a calendar year. Two consecutive absences from regularly scheduled meetings within a calendar year without sufficient or overriding reason will be considered unexcused absences and may constitute grounds for removal from membership.

The Co-Chairs determine if absences are excused or unexcused. An excused absence includes, but is not limited to, an unexpected occurrence or emergency with health, family, or employment that would prevent the member from attending the meeting. An unexcused absence includes, but is not limited to, lack of communication (no contact) with one of the Co-Chairs or administrative support staff. Unless an absence is the result of an emergency or unexpected occurrence, members who cannot attend a regularly scheduled meeting must give prior notice to one of the Co-Chairs or administrative support staff prior to the meeting. This includes naming a proxy as allowed for in Section 2.3 of these bylaws.

4.2 Removal from Membership

When a member has a third unexcused absence within a calendar year, one of the Co-Chairs will send a notification letter to the member that the Committee intends to take action to request removal and replacement of the member at the next regularly scheduled meeting. At that meeting, the member will have an opportunity to refute the action or the Committee will proceed with the removal and replacement process. The removal and replacement process shall be a simple majority vote to recommend the removal of the member and request that a replacement be made based by the DCFS Administrator on NRS 432B.409, Section 1.

ARTICLE 5 – MEETING SCHEDULING AND AGENDAS

5.1 Frequency of Meetings

The Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children shall meet at least four times per year. Meetings shall be coordinated by administrative support staff in cooperation with the Co-Chairs. Special meetings of the Committee may be called at any time by the Co-Chairs, and shall be scheduled within 10 days of the request being made.

5.2 Open Meetings

All meetings of the Executive Committee shall comply with the requirements of the State of Nevada Open Meeting Law, contained in NRS Chapter 241. A Public Comment item shall be included on each agenda to allow members of the public to address the Committee.

5.3 Agendas

Agendas shall be developed by administrative support staff in cooperation with the Co-Chairs. Required notification of action items, public comment, and agenda posting shall comply with the requirements of the State of Nevada Open Meeting Law, contained in NRS Chapter 241.

ARTICLE 6 – QUORUM AND VOTING

6.1 Quorum

A quorum will consist of a simple majority of the members of the Executive Committee (greater than 50%), per the State of Nevada Open Meeting Law definitions contained in NRS 241.015.

6.2 Quorum Present

Voting shall occur only when a quorum is present. A majority vote of the Executive Committee members present (greater than 50%) is required to carry a motion.

ARTICLE 7 – MEETING RECORDS AND MINUTES

7.1 Meeting Records and Minutes

Meeting records and minutes shall be maintained by administrative staff based on federal and State record retention requirements.

ARTICLE 8 - SUBCOMMITTEES

8.1 Appointments of all Permanent and Ad Hoc Subcommittees

The Co-Chairs, in consultation with the Executive Committee members, shall appoint all chairs and members of all subcommittees established by the Committee.

8.2 Powers

Subcommittees appointed by the Co-Chairs shall have power and authority to make decisions only as specifically assigned by a majority of a quorum of the Executive Committee at any regular or special meeting of the Executive Committee. Subcommittee chairs and/or administrative support staff shall be responsible for keeping minutes of subcommittee meetings and reporting on subcommittee activities to the Executive Committee as a whole.

8.3 Removal

The subcommittee chair and/or any member may be removed at the direction of the Co-Chairs or by a majority of a quorum of the Executive Committee at any regular or special meeting of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 9 – BUDGET OVERSIGHT

9.1 Budget Subcommittee

A permanent Budget Subcommittee shall be maintained by the Executive Committee in order to work in collaboration with staff from the Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) to develop biennial budgets for the expenditure of Executive Committee funds, established by NRS 432B.409, Section 3, in compliance with State budget policies.

9.2 Discretionary Funding

A set-aside of 10% of the Executive Committee's budget shall be allocated annually to be used as discretionary funding for prevention efforts surrounding child maltreatment and death. This is intended to be used as a flexible funding source for training, public awareness, or other events that arise during a given fiscal year that may not be budgeted for in advance.

ARTICLE 10 – REIMBURSEMENT

10.1 Travel and Per Diem

Reimbursement for travel and per diem costs at State rates shall be processed by administrative support staff to the Executive Committee for each eligible member, and drawn from the travel funds budgeted as part of the Executive Committee's biennial budget.

ARTICLE 11 – BYLAW AMENDMENTS

11.1 Amendment or Repeal

The Executive Committee Bylaws may be amended or repealed at any regular meeting of the Executive Committee by a majority vote of the quorum, provided that a written notice of proposed change(s) has been submitted to each member at least 10 days before the meeting and public notice has been provided in compliance with the State of Nevada Open Meeting Law.

ARTICLE 12 – FUNCTIONS NOT COVERED

12.1 Functions Not Covered by Bylaws

Any necessary functions not specifically covered by these bylaws will be covered by *Roberts Rules of Order, Revised*.

Summary of the Quarterly Child Death Administrative Team to the Child Death Review Multidisciplinary Recommendations

County: Clark County Quarter: 2 (Apr 1-Jun 30, 2005)

MDT Training and Practice Recommendations

- 1 Public education is needed that teaches parents about the dangers of co-sleeping with infants, especially sleeping in a small bed with an infant and one or two adults. Education should also contain information about appropriate bedding for infants.
Admin Team Response: *The Administrative Team Chair will request that the Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children expand the Public Education Campaign regarding co-sleeping to include toddlers.*
Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Administrative Team Response Sheet _____ Verification Document
Comments: None

- 2 Public education is needed that teaches parents/caregivers about the necessity to respond to children who are found unresponsive. There was a case where a parent attempted to wake a child and, when unresponsive, was left alone. The child later died of an overdose. These are often children who have been involved in the juvenile justice system.
Admin Team Response: *The Administrative Team Chair will write a letter to the chair of the Juvenile Justice Commission requesting that a pamphlet be developed (targeted towards the Juvenile Justice population) regarding the necessity to respond to children who are found unresponsive.*
Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Letter _____ Verification Document
Comments: None

- 3 **Local Team:** Clarification is needed regarding what metabolic studies are routinely sent by the medical examiner. It appears that thorough infant screenings are not being performed.
Admin Team Response: *Judy Wright, Bureau of Health, provided the list of infant screenings that the hospitals perform at birth to the Administrative Team, which was forwarded to the Executive Committee.*
Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Verification Document
Comments: None

- 4 **Hospitals:** Training is needed for hospital staff that are uncomfortable with a case being deemed a "non-coroner" case. Hospital staff need education about how the police should be notified.
Admin Team Response: *THE DCFS Administrator will send a formal request to the Attorney General's Office requesting a statutory review with regard to "non-coroner" cases and the ability to appeal these decisions. Karen Dickerson, Deputy Attorney General, will begin the research.*
Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Letter _____ Verification Document
Comments: None

- 5 Training is needed at Juvenile Detention Centers around suicide, suicidal risk factors (signs and symptoms), and methods of detaining suicidal youth.
Admin Team Response: *Clark County has undertaken a variety of steps to improve staff knowledge related to mental health issues. Susan Klein-Rothschild, Director of Clark County Department of Family Services, will outline some of the steps in bullet point form and submit to the Administrative Team Chair. The Administrative Team Chair will write a letter to the Clark County Multidisciplinary Team that contains the activities that Clark County Juvenile Services has undertaken to improve in this area, as well as information about the Division of Health and Human Services working to create a state level unit using Health Division resources, Division of Mental Health resources, and the new Teen Suicide Prevention grant. Once that gets established, the Administrative Team will inform the Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children that they may contact the statewide coordinator for assistance.*
Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Letter _____ Verification Document
Comments: None

- 6 Child Protective Services: It is recommended that when a local CPS hotline worker receives a referral from an out-of-state agency, the worker immediately requests the records from the out-of-state agency.

Admin Team Response: *The Administrative Team Chair will make a referral to the decision making group requesting consistent practice standards among the child welfare agencies with regard to obtaining child abuse information from out-of-state agencies.*

Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Letter _____ Verification Document
Comments: None

MDT Law Recommendations

- 1 There is currently no requirement for a license, registration or insurance for operators of mopeds and go-peds. Legislation should be considered to address the issue of owning and operating these machines. Legislation should also be considered that would allow traffic police to consider pursuing charges of "child endangerment" for parents who allow their children to take these types of vehicles onto public streets.

Admin Team Response: *DCFS will send a formal request to the Attorney General's Office requesting statutory research related to gopeds/mopeds. Karen Dickerson, Deputy Attorney General, will begin by researching Florida's statute.*

Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Letter _____ Verification Document
Comments: To be placed on agenda for discussion when research has been completed.

- 2 The local team would like to recommend that the Administrative Team propose legislation requiring the Coroner's Office accept/investigate all unexplained child deaths (age 18 and under).

Admin Team Response: *Addressed in #4 in MDT Training and Practice Recommendations.*

Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ N/A _____ Verification Document
Comments: Duplication

MDT Policy Recommendations

MDT Marketing and Education Recommendations

- 1 A public marketing campaign should be launched to educate the public about the risks of mopeds and go-peds. Those dealerships that sell mopeds and go-peds should be required to educate buyers about the risks and safety hazards of these machines.

Admin Team Response: *Tabled until research by Attorney General's Office is complete.*

Admin Team Status: _____ Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Verification Document
Comments: None

- 2 A public health campaign should be initiated, targeted at both medical health providers and pregnant women, regarding women who have gone off their psychotropic medications during pregnancy and want to remain off these medications in order to breast feed. Campaign should stress the importance of making pharmaceutical decisions in conjunction with a therapist after delivery to ensure the mother is able to remain off psychotropic medications during breastfeeding. Campaign should also stress the importance of frequent monitoring during and after pregnancy for women on psychotropic medications.

Admin Team Response: *Judy Wright, Bureau of Health, provided information related to psychotropic medicine and nursing women. Information was forwarded to Executive Committee.*

Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Verification Document
Comments: None

- 3 A public health campaign should be initiated regarding the dangers of co-sleeping (adults sleeping in the same bed with an infant). There were three cases of co-sleeping as a risk factor in the month of June, with none involving the use of drugs or alcohol by the adult.

Admin Team Response: *Addressed in #1 in MDT Training and Practice Recommendations.*

Admin Team Status: _____ Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Verification Document
Comments: None

MDT System Reform Recommendations

1 **Courts/Judges:** Specific domestic violence training is needed for family court judges to explain the dynamics of domestic abuse and the cycle of violence. Training should be presented as a public safety issue. Victims of domestic violence who have children should be mandated to treatment (counseling), since statistics demonstrate that even if the perpetrator of the original violence is removed from the home, victims of domestic violence oftentimes will choose new abusive partners. The training should emphasize that counseling for victims of domestic violence is not punitive or constitute re-victimization, rather, it is a mechanism to protect the children in the custody of the victim.

Admin Team Response: *The Administrative Team Chair will write a letter to the Executive Committee requesting that the Committee establish a subcommittee to liaison with other identified groups and task forces to propose regulation changes related to training for Judges and attorneys specific to child welfare domestic violence issues.*

Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Administrative Team Response Sheet _____ Verification Document

Comments: None

2 **Coroner's Office:** Terri Covington from the National Center for Child Fatality Review visited the Clark County Multidisciplinary Team and participated in the local review team review process. She expressed concern that a Forensic Pathologist is not present for the regularly scheduled review team meetings. She indicated that the lack of a pathologist limits the ability of the team to understand the cause and manner of death. Without good information, reviews of child fatality cannot be done adequately and prevention efforts suffer, according to Covington. She recommends that a Forensic Pathologist be present for all child fatality review meetings.

Admin Team Response: *The Administrative Team Chair will write a letter to the Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children requesting reviews of the attendance lists for the multidisciplinary teams to ensure that all required members are consistently attending the meetings. The Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children will report the findings to the Administrative Team. Child Welfare Informational Memorandum complete.*

Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Administrative Team Response Sheet _____ Verification Document

Comments: None

3 **Police:** The team recommends that a specific checklist be created for the police to use in cases of teen suicide. There is currently no investigative body for teen suicide cases, and there are no specially trained police to look into the cases. Information related to the suicide should be documented on a specially-designed checklist to help examine teen suicides.

Admin Team Response: *The Administrative Team Chair will write a letter to Division of Health and Human Services requesting that they develop a checklist through interaction with the teen suicide grant staff.*

Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Letter _____ Verification Document

Comments: None

4 **Mental Health:** The team recommended expanding child psychiatric services in Clark County. It was noted that there is a lack of psychiatric services for children in Las Vegas Valley.

Admin Team Response: *The Administrative Team Chair will write a letter to the local multidisciplinary teams inviting them to participate in the Mental Health Consortium meeting to share their concerns regarding the need for increased child psychiatric services in Clark County.*

Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Administrative Team Response Sheet _____ Verification Document

Comments: None

5 **School District:** The team recommended having the Administrative Team address the issue of non-participation by the Clark County School District in the local fatality reviews. Clark County District officials states that the District would not voluntarily bring information to the fatality reviews and they will not send school counselors to the meetings. They also indicated that they made this decision after consulting with lawyers for the school district. The local review team feels that school district attendance and participation is crucial in obtaining information about risk factors in many situations, i.e., teen suicide, and that prevention programs will be difficult to create without the District's input.

Admin Team Response: *The Administrative Team Chair will write a letter to the Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children requesting reviews of the attendance lists for the multidisciplinary teams to ensure that all required members are consistently attending the meetings. The Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children will report the findings to the Administrative Team.*

Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Administrative Team Response Sheet _____ Verification Document

Comments: None

- 6 **Child Welfare:** The team recommends that children with chronic health needs/concerns are all provided with a health care plan, and that the health needs and services are ensured and followed up on by both hospitals and the agency providing child welfare services. Child Welfare caseworkers should be attending to the physical health needs of children by requesting regular health records and plans, and following up on the health care plans.

Admin Team Response: *The Administrative Team will make a referral to the decision making group with regard to caseworkers appropriately addressing the physical health needs of children by requesting regular health records, and following up on the health care plans. The decision making group will respond to the Administrative Team regarding the specific actions that will be taken in the PIP to address this issue.*

Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Letter _____ Verification Document

Comments: None

- 7 **Child Welfare:** The team recommends that agencies providing child welfare and child protective services formally advocate for a national database which would include national information on substantiated cases of child abuse and neglect. Clark County experiences a considerable amount of out-of-state residents who are moving to the area with substantiated reports of child maltreatment from other states.

Admin Team Response: *The Administrative Team Chair cannot support a national database for substantiated cases of child abuse and neglect due to the significant legal challenges this would present, the varying practices and definition of substantiation across the nation, and the lack of technology that is available.*

Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Administrative Team Response Sheet _____ Verification Document

Comments: None

- 8 **Nevada Highway Patrol:** The multidisciplinary team recommends that Nevada Highway Patrol or appropriate traffic representation, be present at review local team meetings, as appropriate, to provide information to the team. It is recommended that, at a minimum, a report is provided to the team.

Admin Team Response: *The Administrative Team Chair will write a letter to the Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children requesting reviews of the attendance lists for the multidisciplinary team to ensure that all required members are consistently attending the meetings. The Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children will report the findings to the Administrative Team.*

Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Administrative Team Response Sheet _____ Verification Document

Comments: None

Summary of the Quarterly Child Death Administrative Team to the Child Death Review Multidisciplinary Recommendations

County: Washoe County Quarter: 2 (Apr 1-Jun 30, 2005)

MDT Training and Practice Recommendations

1 Day care providers be offered teaching nurse services through health dept. (We have already implemented this.)

Admin Team Response:

Admin Team Status: _____ Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Verification Document

Comments:

MDT Law Recommendations

MDT Policy Recommendations

MDT Marketing and Education Recommendations

MDT System Reform Recommendations

Summary of the Quarterly Child Death Administrative Team to the Child Death Review Multidisciplinary Recommendations

County: Rural Distrci 1 (Elko) Quarter: 2 (Apr 1-Jun 30, 2005)

MDT Training and Practice Recommendations

MDT Law Recommendations

MDT Policy Recommendations

MDT Marketing and Education Recommendations

1 Public service information concerning the dangers of placing infants on their stomachs for sleeping

Admin Team Response:

Admin Team Status: _____ Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Verification Document

Comments:

MDT System Reform Recommendations

Summary of the Quarterly Child Death Administrative Team to the Child Death Review Multidisciplinary Recommendations

County: Rural District 2 (Fallon) Quarter: 2 (Apr 1-Jun 30, 2005)

MDT Training and Practice Recommendations

MDT Law Recommendations

MDT Policy Recommendations

MDT Marketing and Education Recommendations

MDT System Reform Recommendations

Summary of the Quarterly Child Death Administrative Team to the Child Death Review Multidisciplinary Recommendations

County: Rural Distrct 3 (Pahrump) Quarter: 2 (Apr 1-Jun 30, 2005)

MDT Training and Practice Recommendations

MDT Law Recommendations

MDT Policy Recommendations

MDT Marketing and Education Recommendations

MDT System Reform Recommendations

Summary of the Quarterly Child Death Administrative Team to the Child Death Review Multidisciplinary Recommendations

County: Clark County Quarter: 3 (Jul 1 - Sept 30, 2005)

MDT Training and Practice Recommendations

- 1 Child welfare - increase the amount of training focusing on child safety, mandatory reporting, and warning signs of abuse and neglect to those that license and/or regulate shelter and emergency foster care facilities.

Admin Team Response: Through the Program Improvement Plan (PIP), training has been or will be completed in all of these areas. The Family Risk Assessment Protocol is a new practice to address these issues.

Admin Team Status: X Complete Not Complete Administrative Team Response Sheet Verification Document

Comments:

MDT Law Recommendations

- 1 The practice of midwifery should become more firmly regulated.

Admin Team Response: Refer back to the local Multidisciplinary Team for further clarification as to what is being requested of the Administrative Team.

Admin Team Status: Complete X Not Complete Administrative Team Response Sheet Verification Document

Comments:

- 2 Form an alternative drug court for pregnant women using drugs, or propose new legislation that mandates treatment for pregnant women using drugs, and propose legislation that allows prosecution of mothers who have had repeated child deaths due to drug exposure.

Admin Team Response: Refer to the Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children to develop networking opportunities in existing agencies such as the Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Abuse and the State Health Department for collaboration.

Admin Team Status: X Complete Not Complete Administrative Team Response Sheet Verification Document

Comments:

- 3 Construction sites should be strictly regulated with regard to safety issues near public access points where children may be present.

Admin Team Response: Refer to the Executive Committee requesting they present this issue to the Clark County Commissioners.

Admin Team Status: X Complete Not Complete Administrative Team Response Sheet Verification Document

Comments:

- 4 Propose legislation requiring that helmets be used when using an ATV.

Admin Team Response:

Admin Team Status: Complete X Not Complete Verification Document

Comments: No action. This recommendation is pending based on research being conducted by the Attorney General's Office.

MDT Policy Recommendations

1 Child welfare agencies should establish a system with medical professionals for cases on ill children so the providers "red flag" the chart and notify the agency of any noncompliance with medical treatment even if the case has been closed.

Admin Team Response: *Summary of the Statewide Child Welfare Agencies response to the Decision-Making Group request regarding medically fragile children and caseworkers addressing the physical health needs of children.*

Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete Memorandum from the Decision-Making Group Verification Document

Comments:

2 Establish or re-evaluate protocols for closing cases on expectant mothers to avoid repeat maltreatment.

Admin Team Response: *Through the Program Improvement Plan (PIP), a case closure policy was recently developed and distributed to all child welfare agencies statewide. Policy forwarded to the Executive Committee.*

Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete Case Closure Policy Verification Document

Comments:

3 In "informal" CPS cases, medical services should be noted and signed by the case worker and the caregiver.

Admin Team Response: *Through the Program Improvement Plan (PIP), a standardized safety assessment and safety plan have been developed and implemented for use by all child welfare agencies statewide. Policy and safety assessment instrument forwarded to the Executive Committee.*

Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete Safety Assessment Policy and Instrument Verification Document

Comments:

MDT Marketing and Education Recommendations

1 Teach parents about the dangers of co-sleeping and include information on appropriate bedding for infants.

Admin Team Response: *Administrative Team Staff to contact Health and Human Services to determine if Child Abuse Prevention Funds are being used to address this issue to avoid duplication of efforts.*

Admin Team Status: _____ Complete X Not Complete Administrative Team Response Sheet Verification Document

Comments:

2 Teach parents about car safety including how to properly take children in and out of automobiles.

Admin Team Response: *Refer to the Executive Committee to contact the Las Vegas Police Department Traffic Safety/Injury Control - possibly add to their safety car seat campaign.*

Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete Administrative Team Response Sheet Verification Document

Comments:

3 Warns parents/teens about risks associated with "sleeping off" drugs and alcohol, and advise to check on sleeping teens that are suspected to be under the influence.

Admin Team Response: *This was previously addressed by a letter written by the Administrative Team Chair to the Juvenile Justice Commission requesting their assistance to increase public awareness.*

Admin Team Status: X Complete _____ Not Complete Letter to the Juvenile Justice Commission Verification Document

Comments: Mike Capello will attend the Juvenile Justice Commission Meeting on 11/17/05 to follow up with the status of this letter.

- 4 Teach parents of the dangers of co-sleeping with infants and older siblings in a family bed.
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| Admin Team Response: | |
| Admin Team Status: | X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Administrative Team Response Sheet _____ Verification Document |
| Comments: | Recommendation previously addressed by the Administrative Team. |
- 5 Emphasize the importance of providing proper supervision to young children. A case involved a child riding a bicycle on a busy highway.
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| Admin Team Response: | Refer to the Executive Committee to contact the Office of Traffic Safety regarding public service announcements. |
| Admin Team Status: | X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Administrative Team Response Sheet _____ Verification Document |
| Comments: | |
- 6 Correct the Clark County phone number on the advertisement for reporting abuse statewide.
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| Admin Team Response: | |
| Admin Team Status: | X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Administrative Team Response Sheet _____ Verification Document |
| Comments: | Recommendation previously addressed by the Administrative Team. |

MDT System Reform Recommendations

- 1 Child Welfare: Require all child welfare agencies statewide to require/request CPS records from other states when a report is received on a family.
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| Admin Team Response: | |
| Admin Team Status: | X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Verification Document |
| Comments: | Recommendation previously addressed by Administrative Team. |
- 2 School District: Police dept should be called, and should respond, to the school for any child death/unresponsive situation in which the school officials are unsure.
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| Admin Team Response: | The State Attorney General's Office will write a letter to Clark County School District advising them of their responsibility to share information at the local child review multidisciplinary meetings. |
| Admin Team Status: | _____ Complete X Not Complete _____ Letter from the Attorney General's Office _____ Verification Document |
| Comments: | |
- 3 Parole/Probation: Stipulate mandatory counseling for children involved in parole/probation, and include an assessment for potential suicidal behaviors.
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| Admin Team Response: | Refer to Executive Committee. Cyndi Sauchak, Executive Committee Co-Chair will present this issue to the Juvenile Justice Commission when they meet in Las Vegas next quarter. |
| Admin Team Status: | X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Administrative Team Response Sheet _____ Verification Document |
| Comments: | The Administrative Team does not recommend "mandating" counseling. |
- 4 Child Welfare/School District: Counseling for co-victims of recent suicides be made available, especially for boy/girlfriends of the deceased.
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| Admin Team Response: | Administrative Team to refer to the Department of Health and Human Services State Level Suicide Prevention Unit. |
| Admin Team Status: | _____ Complete X Not Complete _____ Letter _____ Verification Document |
| Comments: | |
- 5 School District: Peer counseling or other programs be instituted district-wide where students have died in an accident or suicide.
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| Admin Team Response: | Refer to Executive Committee to contact the Clark County Mental Health Consortium to discuss peer counseling. |
| Admin Team Status: | X Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Administrative Team Response Sheet _____ Verification Document |

Comments: _____

Summary of the Quarterly Child Death Administrative Team to the Child Death Review Multidisciplinary Recommendations

County: Washoe County Quarter: 3 (Jul 1 - Sept 30, 2005)

MDT Training and Practice Recommendations

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MDT System Reform Recommendations

1 Child Welfare: Require all child welfare agencies statewide to require/request CPS records from other states when a report is received on a family.

Admin Team Response:
Admin Team Status:
Comments:

Complete _____ Not Complete _____ Verification Document

Summary of the Quarterly Child Death Administrative Team to the Child Death Review Multidisciplinary Recommendations

County: Rural District 1 (Elko) Quarter: 3 (Jul 1 - Sept 30, 2005)

Practice Recommendations

MDT Law Recommendations

MDT Policy Recommendations

MDT Marketing and Education Recommendations

MDT System Reform Recommendations

1 WIC personnel need to obtain a waiver from parents stating that the parents understand that formula should not be the only source of food for the child.

Admin Team Response:
Admin Team Status:
Comments:

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Summary of the Quarterly Child Death Administrative Team to the Child Death Review Multidisciplinary Recommendations

County: Rural District 2 (Fallon) Quarter: 3 (Jul 1 - Sept 30, 2005)

MDT Training and Practice Recommendations

MDT Law Recommendations

MDT Policy Recommendations

MDT Marketing and Education Recommendations

MDT System Reform Recommendations

Summary of the Quarterly Child Death Administrative Team to the Child Death Review Multidisciplinary Recommendations

County: Rural District 3 (Pahrump) Quarter: 3 (Jul 1 - Sept 30, 2005)

MDT Training and Practice Recommendations

MDT Law Recommendations

MDT Policy Recommendations

MDT Marketing and Education Recommendations

MDT System Reform Recommendations