

Red Tape Review Rule Report (Due: September 1, 2025)

Department Name:	Health and Human Services	Date:	9/24/24	Total Rule Count:	11
IAC #:	641	Chapter/ SubChapter/ Rule(s):	90	Iowa Code Section Authorizing Rule:	135.43 135.112; 2024 Iowa Acts, Senate File 2385
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What is the intended benefit of the rule?

The Mortality Review Committee is a multidisciplinary committee that reviews deaths that occur in Iowa to help communities understand why the deaths occurred and equip them to effectively prevent future fatalities in children, pregnant and postpartum women and individuals who died as a result of the actions of an intimate partner. The Mortality Review Committee aids in the reduction of deaths through making systemic recommendations for change in policy, practice and resource allocation.

Is the benefit being achieved? Please provide evidence.

The Mortality Review Committee reviews close to 400 cases annually. An annual report with recommendations for prevention of future deaths is published for children, and reports for adults are published every 2-3 years.

Since 2005 the average number of natural deaths in children has decreased from 233 to 128 and accidental deaths have decreased from an average of 91 deaths per year to 59. Homicide deaths in children have remained largely unchanged while suicide deaths are increasing from an average of 13 to an average of 22 per year.

What are the costs incurred by the public to comply with the rule?

There are no costs incurred by the public to comply with the rules.

What are the costs to the agency or any other agency to implement/enforce the rule?

Personnel and other administrative costs.

Do the costs justify the benefits achieved? Please explain.

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Are there less restrictive alternatives to accomplish the benefit? ☐ YES ☒ NO

If YES, please list alternative(s) and provide analysis of less restrictive alternatives from other states, if applicable. If NO, please explain.

The rules are required by law as well as necessary to guide the work of the Committee and its Subcommittees.

Does this chapter/rule(s) contain language that is obsolete, outdated, inconsistent, redundant, or unnecessary language, including instances where rule language is duplicative of statutory language? [list chapter/rule number(s) that fall under any of the above categories]

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The language is a compilation of various previously existing chapters, as well as new language that was crafted according to the standards set forth in Executive Order 10.

RULES PROPOSED FOR REPEAL (list rule number[s]):

Three previously existing chapters were repealed and replaced with this one chapter.

RULES PROPOSED FOR RE-PROMULGATION (list rule number[s] or include rule text if available):

641—90 (1 through 11) are new rules being promulgated.

***For rules being re-promulgated with changes, you may attach a document with suggested changes.**

METRICS

Total number of rules repealed:	Three chapters
Proposed word count reduction after repeal and/or re-promulgation	3,296
Proposed number of restrictive terms eliminated after repeal and/or re-promulgation	Unknown

ARE THERE ANY STATUTORY CHANGES YOU WOULD RECOMMEND INCLUDING CODIFYING ANY RULES?

No.