

Child Death Review Subcommittee Meeting Agenda

Date: October 27, 2026

Time: 10:00-3:00

Location LG20A - Lucas State Office Building and Virtual (Teams)

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Meeting Objectives

To review child fatalities that occurred on school grounds, 2022 through 2024 to make recommendations to the State Mortality Review Committee for the prevention of similar fatalities.

Members

Ryan Baldrige, Matthew Burns, John Dagle, Avery Desy, Lisa DuFour, Melissa Ellis, Jerry Fiala, Lori Frick, Kim Gonzales, Amy Groen, Chad Jensen, Dennis Kleen, Dennis Klein, Tammie Krausman, Michael Line, Casey Manser (excused), Amy McCormick, Dawn Schissel, Abby Schueller, Korie Talkington, Jonathan Thompson, Marvin Van Der Wiel, Melissa Walker, Vera Wallican, Kelly Wandishion
Staff: Analisa Pearson, Kaitlin Smith

Pre-Meeting Tasks

- Log in to SMRC-Child Death Review Subcommittee Teams Folder
- Review 1-2 cases assigned using case files
- Complete Individual Case Recommendations form for cases assigned to you

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- Upload completed Individual Case Recommendations to Teams Folder or email to analisa.pearson@hhs.iowa.gov
 - Formulate questions, best practices, and recommendations for discussion of fatalities.

Agenda Topic and Items

- I. Call meeting to order
 - II. Introductions
 - III. Approval of April 2026 minutes
 - IV. Prioritize recommendations from June 2026 related to accidents and undetermined fatalities in 2022 through 2024.
 - a. Increase education and distribution of carbon monoxide detectors.
Partner with Fire Marshall especially in the Fall, to educate the public on safety measures, household recommendations on types of detectors and standards. Have health care providers educate parents on where to place carbon monoxide detectors in the home.
 - b. Health care providers educate on immediately seeking emergency care and not “wait and see” if a lithium battery (“button battery”) is swallowed
 - c. Provide education to parents and children in school, through health care providers and in the media on the dangers of the cold. Promote seasonally opposite of heat warnings.
 - d. Work with the housing authority to do safety checks for older housing, along with providing brochures to those moving into older houses and the dangers that may be present in older houses.
 - e. Partner with the Iowa Epilepsy Foundation on safety for children with epilepsy.
 - f. Have healthcare providers educate on the effects of sedative medications.
 - V. Member organization updates
 - VI. Public comment – non-members have 2-5 minutes, depending on number of individuals wishing to make public comment and time available
 - VII. Closed session (~4-4.5 hours)
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- a. Roll call vote to move into closed session to review and analyze child death data, including death certificates, patient records and other pertinent information appropriate for use in assisting the State Mortality Review Committee in preparing an annual report to the governor and general assembly concerning the causes and manner of child deaths as outlined in IC §135.43.2.a. and provided for by IC §21.5.1.a

- i. Aggregate data
 - ii. Case discussion
 - iii. Prevention recommendations discussion

VIII. Next meeting – December 8, 10am-3pm virtual

- a. 11 Homicides 2022-2024; 2 unreviewed cases 2020-2021
- b. 2025-2026 Recommendation Prioritization

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