

## Child Fatality Review Committee

Meeting date | time 5/16/2023 1:30 PM | Meeting location Fire Academy, Concord

Type of meeting Review of Case- Full

Committee Meeting

Facilitator Jo Porter

Note taker Lisa Fontaine-Storez

Attendees:, Evan Nadeau, Susan Ashley, Robyn Guarino, Lisa Fontaine-Storez, Kris Hering, Jo Porter, Adam Fanjoy, Cassandra Sanchez, , David Parenteau, Joe Ribsam, Rebecca Ross, Catrina Watson, Joi Smith, Jennie Duval, Joy Barrett, Vicki Blanchard, Morissa Henn, Resmiye Oral, Sylvia Pelletier, Siobhan Balazs, Rhonda Siegel, Carol Whitman, Justin Romanello, Darby VanAmburg, Lissa Sirois, Marty Sink, Kathy Grondine

## **AGENDA TOPICS**

Time allotted | 10 minutes | Agenda topic Welcome and Roll Call |

Time allotted | 10 minutes | Agenda topic: Recommendation Updates | Presenter Jo Porter and Lisa Fontaine-Storez

Lisa provided an update on the progress of the recommendations workgroup. A new policy for recommendations has been drafted and is awaiting review and final approval of the entire workgroup. It was also shared that our Co-Chair Marc Clement (not present today) has been nominated for the Teresa Covington award, which honors the National Center's founding director, and is awarded to a fatality review professional who embodies Teri's spirit of innovation, partnership, and advocacy to advance child safety and well-being. Lisa asked if anyone had information to share to provide to the National Center regarding Marc's work with the Child Fatality Committee. Marty Sink (CASA) shared that Marc has been a CASA Volunteer for over 30 years. Lisa also added that Marc was instrumental in adding an educational presentation to our CFRC meetings to help support the committee in more effective fatality reviews and enhanced prevention recommendations. Marc is also Co-Author on the National Center for Fatality Review & Prevention: "Guidance for CDR & FIMR Teams on Addressing Vicarious Trauma". Lisa let the committee know that there were copies available at the meeting as well as on the National Center for Fatality review & Prevention website.

GuidanceVicariousTrauma.pdf (ncfrp.org)

Time allotted | 30 minutes | Agenda topic: Speaker | Presenter Justin Romanello (Division of Fire Standards/EMS and Darby VanAmburg (NHSP Forensic Lab )

Justin presented an overview of NH's Emergency Response system. He provided an overview of EMS protocols as well as: "Poisoning/Overdose –Pediatric ", Opioid Overdose –Pediatric "and the "Leave-Behind Naloxone" (allows EMS to leave a Naloxone kit behind for future use). He also discussed a recent AAP article:

<u>Characteristics of Fatal Poisonings Among Infants and Young Children in the United States | Pediatrics | American Academy of Pediatrics (aap.org)</u>

Darby VanAmburg from the State Police Forensic Lab shared information regarding the states capability in testing for illicit /illegal substances. She shared that since 2015 the State Police Forensic Lab has been seeing a steady increase in fentanyl overdoses. She also provided information to the committee on NH State Police's "No safe experience campaign".

No Safe Experience – Anti-Fentanyl Campaign in New Hampshire

At 2:31 PM, the meeting was put into a non-public session. The statement read by Vicki Blanchard. Seconded by Morissa Henn. Voted yes by all present.

"I move to enter into non-public session for the purposes of, including but not limited to, discussing matters pertaining to a fatality review during which it is anticipated that information and issues will be discussed which would likely adversely affect the reputation of persons. Further, it is anticipated that there will be discussions about, including but not limited to, documents pertaining to internal personnel practices, confidential information, personnel, medical and other files and information whose disclosure would constitute an invasion of privacy all pursuant to RSA-91-A:3, II © and RSA 91-A:5, IV"

Time allotted | 2 hours | Agenda topic: Case Reviews: Opioid Related Death | Presenter Various Members

This portion of the meeting is non-public and the records are sealed.

## Meeting has put back into public session at 3:47PM.

"I move to seal the minutes of the non-public session because the disclosure of those minutes would likely adversely affect the reputation of persons and there was a discussion about, including but not limited to, documents pertaining to internal personnel practices, confidential information, personnel, medical, and any other files and information whose disclosure would constitute an invasion of privacy"

"The minutes are now sealed"

The statement was read by Vicki Blanchard. Seconded by Morissa Henn. Yes by all present.

The meeting was open to other business, but there was none.