

# Recommendations of the Child Death Data Review Workgroup

Presentation to the  
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## Workgroup Charge

- Evaluate existing child death review processes among organizations within the state; [See Attachment 1](#)
- Improve communications, data sharing and collaboration across agencies regarding the investigation of child deaths; and
- Recommend ways to improve the response to the investigation of child deaths.



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## Recommendations

1. Expand the state child death review process to allow review of all deaths of children up to 18 years of age and participate in the U.S. National Child Death Review Case Reporting System. [See Attachment 2](#)
2. Endorse the Protect Our Kids Act as filed in the U.S. Senate. [See Attachment 3](#)
3. Support the reinstatement of the Sunshine Law exemption that allows child death case reviews to be conducted without being subjected to video or audio recording.



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## Recommendations

4. Support joint meetings of the state Child Abuse Death Review Committee, the Fetal and Infant Mortality Review program, the Pregnancy-Associated Mortality Review program and the Domestic Violence Fatality Review team at least annually to further discuss ways to better share data and information to prevent state resident deaths.
5. Identify additional funding sources for public-private partnerships to assist Florida's death review teams accomplish their identified goals. [See Attachment 4](#)

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## Recommendations

6. Seek assistance from Florida's medical licensing boards in the education of medical examiners of the needs of the various death review processes. [See Attachment 5](#)
7. Pursue linkages with state university programs that share common or parallel goals to Florida's death review teams.

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## List of Attachments

1. Inventory of State Government Data Sources Applicable to Child Death Review
2. Materials Related to the U.S. National Child Death Review Case Reporting System
3. The U.S. "Protect Our Kids Act"
4. Brief Description of the Traffic Records Coordinating Committee
5. Side-by-Side Comparison of ICD-9 and ICD-10 Medical Coding
6. Supporting Information for the Workgroup Recommendations

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