

Partners For Child Fatality Prevention: Education & Advocacy

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Background

Child Death Review Teams (CDRT) review circumstances surrounding child deaths to prevent future fatalities

American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) provided local Chapter awards to promote engagement with CDRTs

Partners for Child Fatality Prevention (AAP-OC) was designed to develop a sustainable partnership that shares, translates, and disseminates data with recommendations to inform interventions and advocacy

Methods

Pediatrician-led Multidisciplinary Team with CA Statewide Members

- Reviewed and analyzed available de-identified data from 2018 to 2020

Data Sources

- CDRT
- California Department of Public Health (CDPH) EpiCenter
- National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS)

Educational Advocacy

Webinar Topics

- Leading causes of death
- Role of CDRT
- Pediatric drowning
- Youth suicide

Policy Advocacy

Results

Data Review Leading Causes of Fatality (CA)

Age <1 (N=239)	Ages 1-4 (N=329)	Ages 5-9 (N=196)	Ages 10-14 (N=391)	Ages 15-17 (N=930)
Suffocation (128)	Drowning (139)	MVT, Unspec. (41)	Suicide (102)	Suicide (257)
Homicide (46)	Homicide (66)	Drowning (32)	MVT, Unspec. (64)	Homicide (202)
MVT, Unspec. (18)	Pedestrian (44)	Homicide (26)	Homicide (48)	Poisoning (131)
Drowning (10)	MVT, Unspec. (34)	MV Occupant (25)	Pedestrian (43)	MVT, Unspec. (123)
All Other (37)	Suffocation (26)	Pedestrian (20)	MV Occupant (22)	MV Occupant (69)

5 Leading Causes of Injury Deaths by Age Groups, California Residents 0-17 Years: (2018-2020), N= 2,085

Educational Advocacy

Webinars

- Child Death Review (127 participants)
- Drowning (172 participants)
- Youth Suicide (154 participants)

41% Physicians; 59% Other Learners

Policy Advocacy California in Collaboration with AAP-CA

Assembly Bill 2660 (Maienschein) Child Death Investigations: Review Teams (2021-2022). 8/2022 sent to Governor's Office for signature. CA-CDR Council defunded in 2008 due to great recession.

Senate Bill 855 (Newman) Childhood Drowning Data Collection Pilot Project (2022). 8/2022 sent to the Governor' Office for signature. **Sponsor: AAP-CA & the CA Alliance for YMCA's**

Childhood Drowning Data Collection Pilot Program

CA SB 855 (Newman)

- Establish fatal and non-fatal statewide drowning data collection system
- Inform on strategies & policies for drowning prevention
- CA Water Safety Plan
- Implement recommendations

Water Safety Resource for Families



Conclusions

Sustainable collaboration with the Orange County Child Death Review Team

New AAP-OC Project: Foundations for Childhood Drowning Surveillance and Prevention

Future educational webinars (CME and community)

Policy advocacy to reduce preventable fatalities and injuries

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Further Information

AAP-OC Injury and Violence Prevention Initiative • www.aap-oc.org/initiatives/injury-violence-prevention-2

AAP-OC Partners for Child Fatality Prevention • www.aap-oc.org/pcfcp

AAP-OC Partners for Childhood Drowning Prevention • www.aap-oc.org/pcdp