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
1. Leading causes of death
2. Role of CDRT
3. Pediatric drowning
4. Youth suicide
5. Policy Advocacy

Policy Advocacy California in Collaboration with AAP-CA

Senate Bill 855 (Newman) Childhood Drowning Data Collection Pilot Project (2022). 8/2022 sent to Governor’s 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

Water Safety Resource for Families

Results
Data Review Leading Causes of Fatality (CA)

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

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

References

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

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