



State of Louisiana
Louisiana Department of Health
Office of Public Health

STATE CHILD DEATH REVIEW

**September 15, 2026
12:00PM – 3:00PM**

Location:

Louisiana State Police Headquarters
7919 Independence Blvd (Room 3000)
Baton Rouge, LA 70806

Meeting link for members of the public:

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AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Public Comment
- IV. Approval of Minutes – June 2026 Meeting Minutes
- V. Mandate Review
- VI. Vacancy Announcements
- VII. Old Business
 - a. Agency & Panel Updates
 - i. Annual Child Death Review (CDR) Report
 - 1. 2022 – 2024 data are finalized and 2022-2024 CDR Report in development.
 - ii. Drowning Prevention Campaign
- VIII. New Business
 - a. Senate Select Committee on Women and Children CDR Presentation
 - b. September National Infant Mortality Awareness Month and October Safe Sleep Awareness Month
 - c. December CDR Meeting Planning
- IX. Infant Safe Sleep Presentation by Charlie Hunter, F-ABMDI, President/CEO of Gulf Coast Forensic Solutions
- X. Public Comment
- XI. Break
- XII. Case Review- Sudden Unexpected Infant Death
- XIII. Adjournment

Next Meeting Details

December 15, 2026

12-3 PM

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RS 40:2019:

§2019. Child death investigation

A. Findings and purpose.

(1) The legislature hereby finds and declares that:

(a) Protection of the health and welfare of the children of this state is a goal of its People, and the unexpected death of infants and children is an important public health concern that requires legislative action.

(b) Collecting data on the causes of unexpected deaths will better enable the state to protect some infants and children from preventable deaths and will help reduce the incidence of such deaths.

(c) Identifying persons responsible for abuse or neglect resulting in unexpected death will better enable the state to protect other children who may be under the care of the same persons and will help reduce the incidence of such deaths.

(d) Multidisciplinary and multiagency reviews of child deaths can assist the state in the investigation of child deaths, in the development of a greater understanding of the incidence and causes of child deaths and the methods for preventing such deaths, and in identifying gaps in services to children and families.