

DSS Directors



State Child Fatality Review Status Report

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June 2017 Point in Time Numbers

- **In June 2018, an audit of the last 5 years identified 125 outstanding fatalities**
- **The backlog dates ranged from 2012 to 2017**
- **Counties had a range of 1 to 7 reviews needing completion**

Where We Are Today

- **13 Backlog reviews to be completed by the end of June**
- **2 that came of DA hold in the process of being scheduled**
- **22 current year reviews are scheduled**
- **24 are on DA hold**

FY 2015 – 2017 Data

**Unsafe sleep accounted 30
% of our fatalities being
reviewed**

**Homicide accounted for
another 22%**

**Suicides were the next
largest category with 18%**

**27% cases reviewed were open
for assessment at the time of the
death**

**41% were open for assessment
or services at the time of death**

Common Risk Factors

Unsafe Sleep

- **Substance abuse: 10 of 15 deaths involved the infant tested positive at birth**
- **Mom had delayed or NO prenatal care**
 - **Substance abuse combined with mental illness**

Homicide

- **Substance abuse**
- **Substance abuse combined with mental illness**
- **Child had prior history of maltreatment**
- **Untreated mental health issues of caregivers**
- **Domestic violence in relationships**
- **Multiple CPS Reports**