



# Power In Partnerships: **Tips and Tools** **for Engaging Partners in Review** **Processes**

Learning Together, Protecting Tomorrows



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## Overview Of The National Center

Who we are and what we do.



## Why Multidisciplinary Matters

Discuss the benefits of different perspectives and key partners in fatality review.



## Partnership in Practice

Share real-world examples and discuss overcoming challenges.



## Tips and Tricks for Engagement

Highlight how to reach out to partners, messaging that resonates, and sustaining relationships.



## Open Discussion

Open discussion about successes and challenges with engaging partners.

# About the National Center

## Center for Fatality Review and Prevention



Communicate with fatality review teams.



Provide technical assistance, training, and connection.



Develop actionable resources.



Support the Pediatric National Fatality Review-Case Reporting System (Pediatric NFR-CRS).

# Multidisciplinary Teams

## Why It Matters



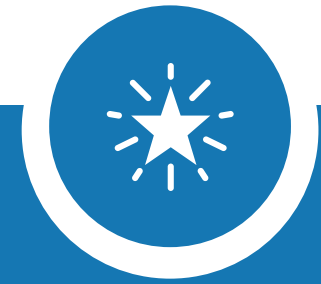
### Comprehensive Understanding

Each discipline brings unique insights.



### Shared Responsibility

Preventing death is a community effort.



### Better Outcomes

Informed, different perspectives lead to stronger recommendations.

# Child Death Review Team

## Partners Engaged In CDR



MCH Public  
Health



Healthcare  
Providers



Schools



District Attorneys



Child Welfare  
Agencies



Medical  
Examiners/Coroners



Law  
Enforcement



Mental Health  
Professionals



Community Advocacy  
Organizations



Emergency Response  
Agencies

# Fetal Infant Mortality Review: Case Review Team

## Partners Engaged In FIMR CRT



MCH Public Health



Obstetrician-Gynecologists



Doulas



NICU Providers



Child Welfare Agencies



Medical Examiners/Coroners



Home Visiting Programs



Mental Health Professionals



Community Advocacy Organizations



Emergency Response Agencies

# Community Action Team

## FIMR CAT



# Suicide Mortality Review Committee

## Partners Engaged In SMRC



Public Health



Crisis  
Response  
Agencies



Schools



District Attorneys



Protective  
Services  
(Adult/Child)



Medical  
Examiners/Coroners



Law  
Enforcement



Suicide  
Prevention  
Coordinator



VA/Military



Emergency Response  
Agencies

# Partnerships In Practice

## The Added Value

- Essential to effective fatality reviews.
- Partnerships bring unique perspectives.
- Communicating the value of partnerships to address challenges.
- Collaborative partnerships lead to stronger reviews and more impactful outcomes.



# Real-World Examples of Impactful Partnerships

## Demonstrating How Different Partners Add Value

### School Staff – Early Warning Signs

A school counselor identified behavioral changes and absenteeism leading up to a youth suicide, which helped the team focus on mental health prevention in schools.

### Military – Service History

Military services shared details of the decedent's history of service, discharge status, and any veteran services they received.



### Law Enforcement – Case Context

A detective shared critical details about a home environment during a sudden unexplained infant death case, helping the team identify unsafe sleep practices.

### Health Care Provider – Medical Insight

An OB-GYN explained a mother's preexisting conditions and the social and contextual factors she shared in her prenatal course.



# Tips And Tricks

## For Engagement

- Complete initial outreach.
- Build the relationship.
- Identify champions.
- Sustain engagement.

# Key Takeaways

## For Fatality Review Teams

- Multidisciplinary collaboration strengthens fatality reviews.
- Establishing partnerships requires ongoing outreach and relationship-building efforts.
- Engaging partners takes time.
- Clear communication and a shared purpose drive participation.
- The National Center is here to support your team.





# Open Discussion

Guided Discussion Toward Actionable Strategies On Engaging Partnerships

A group of nine diverse young children are standing in a hallway, smiling and laughing. They are dressed in casual clothing like t-shirts, sweaters, and jeans. The background is a dark hallway with a brick wall. A semi-transparent blue box is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing text.

# Question #1

What specific concerns or misconceptions might these partners have about participating in reviews, and how can we address them?

A top-down photograph of a diverse group of children and an adult. The children are of various ethnicities and are smiling or looking towards the camera. The adult is partially visible at the top of the frame. The image is overlaid with a dark blue semi-transparent rectangle containing text.

## Question #2

What are some success you all have had with engaging partners?

A young boy with short hair and glasses is smiling and resting his head on his hand. He is wearing a grey sweater. The background is a blurred indoor setting with a window and some furniture.

## Question #3

How can we frame the value of fatality review participation in a way that aligns with these partners' priorities and responsibilities?



# Questions

Any Additional Questions



## Office Hours

### 2025 Sessions from the National Center

Date	Topic
10/21/2025	Handling Conflicting Data
11/18/2025	Facilitating Difficult Conversations
12/16/2025	Interactive Meetings: Designing Live Icebreaker Dashboards

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