



Child Fatality Prevention Team Meeting

Date: March 18, 2021

Time: 1:00 2:30 p.m.

Place: Zoom by
Pueblo Department of Public
Health and Environment
(PDPHE)

Facilitator: Justin Gage, Team Co-Chair

Note Taker: Dee Speier

Attendees: Michael Bayer, Jennifer Chavez, Kindra Cox, Bob DiPietro, Kristie Dorwart, Justin Gage, Sandra Garcia, Greg Hinkle, Keith Madkins, Sarah Martinez, Rebecca Medina, Felicia McQueen, Heather Pelser, Mike Slattery, Dee Speier, Maria Telfer, Dave Williams, Annette Zimmer, Gavin Wolny

MINUTES

AGENDA ITEM: CALL TO ORDER – JUSTIN GAGE

Discussion:

- **Welcome Team** – Thank you for joining.
 - Discuss recent cases in 2020.
 - Things involved regarding the case and prevention methods.
- **Introductions**
 - We have several new members. Team member introductions around the screen.
 - (For a list of the attendees and their respective agencies, please see the attached attendance sheet.)
- **Confidentiality Statements**
 - A confidentiality statement is needed from everyone.
 - Per Dee, almost all of the forms were sent in for this meeting. A form will be sent to anyone that didn't return or receive one. Some agencies are not sure who will be attending the meeting until the date of the meeting so the form may have been to a different person.

AGENDA ITEM: MOMENT OF SILENCE - JUSTIN GAGE

- A moment of silence was held to show respect and in remembrance for the deceased children. Remember why we are here and be thankful for the task we have accomplished today.
- Acknowledgment of health disparities statement regarding inequities that exist.
- This portion of the meeting was open to the public. The next portion of the meeting will be closed to the public.

AGENDA ITEM: CONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION – 1:16 P.M. – JUSTIN GAGE

Discussion:

- The next item on the agenda is to discuss child fatality cases in executive session for the purpose of developing child fatality prevention recommendations. The legal authority for closing this portion of the meeting is Colorado Revised Statute 24-6-402 (4) (c). The purpose of this executive session is to discuss confidential information pertaining to child fatality obtained from the Department of Social Services, the Coroner, medical, investigations, and other confidential services. The topics being discussed are confidential in nature and are protected under Colorado Revised Statute 25-20.5-408 (2) (b).
- Motion to convene into executive session was made and motion seconded.
- A reminder the executive session will be recorded and retained for ninety days. All governing bodies should limit their discussion to the announced topic. No decisions, collective commitments or other final actions by the governing body can be made until after the meeting reconvenes in open session after the executive session.
- The public in attendance would be asked to leave the Zoom meeting. No public was in attendance.
- The executive session started at 1:16 p.m.
- Review of Cases – Justin Gage

AGENDA ITEM: EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED AT – 2:35 PM

Discussion:

- In order to discuss prevention, the executive session will be closed. The public is invited to return; no public was in attendance.

AGENDA ITEM: THANK YOU-JUSTIN GAGE

Discussion:

- We have tried to tailor the meeting towards prevention while being mindful of the loss that occurred. We are shifting to prevention to try to stop that type of death from happening again.
- Thank you for coming; we appreciate your thoughts, recommendations, and the great work you do within the community!

AGENDA ITEM: NEXT MEETING – JUSTIN GAGE

Discussion:

- There are six cases for review at the next meeting.
- We are holding the meeting in September in case we don't get to review all of the cases and have to hold another meeting. The deadline for the cases is December 31, 2021.
- The meetings will be kept on the third Thursday of the month for September.
- If you have any additional thoughts or recommendations, please send an email to Dee. Her email is on the invitation to the meetings and she would be happy to facilitate those.

NEXT MEETING: September 16, 2021**1:00-2:30 pm****Zoom**