## Regular Meeting of the Baltimore County Child Fatality Review Team In-person Meeting – October 2, 2024

The regular meeting of the Baltimore County Child Fatality Review (CFR) Team was held on Tuesday, October 2, 2024, at the Drumcastle Child Advocacy Center's Conference Room. The meeting was called to order at 9:03 AM by the Chair, Dr. Scott Krugman. Other members in attendance were: Allison Blakely, Tracey Bosick, Courtney Brown, Sherrie Byers, Cpl. Dona Carter, Tammy Converse, Julie Dyer, Janet Furman, Aimee Grable, Dr. Isha Jain, Della Leister, Robert Mehl, Teresa Messler, Amy Park, Sarah Perl, and Simone Thompson. Unable to attend were: Heather Dewey, Cat Ehrhardt, Elyn Garrett Jones, Kim Glaze, Delmonica Hawkins, John Magee, Dr. Nolan O'Dowd, Teresa Pfaff, Amber Riley, Molly Rye, and Ashley Weldon. Guest members in attendance were Kim Wilhelmi, Baltimore County Maternal Child Health. All confidentiality agreements were signed and obtained prior to the start of the meeting.

## **OPEN SESSION**

MINUTES- Motion was made to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held September 4, 2024 as submitted.

Motion: S. Perl Second: J. Furman Passed unanimously

## **GENERAL UPDATES-**

The team welcomed Sherrie Phillips-Byers, Baltimore County Department of Health's Director of Nursing, as a team member.

D. Leister announced that a new Health Officer, Dr. Lucy Wilson, will be joining the Baltimore County Department of Health after she is appointed by the County Council in October 2024. Dr. Wilson will be invited to join the CFRT.

A. Blakely reminded the team that October is Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Awareness Month. Safe sleep flyers were distributed to team members. Each team member was asked to mobilize their partnerships and resources to collectively all month long.

The team had a discussion on the best method for gun lock distribution. Child Protection Service team has reported that numerous gun locks provided from Bureau of Behavioral Health have been distributed through their program. Baltimore County Department of Health is working to expand offereings at the three vending machines throughout the Countyat Drumcastle, Eastern Family Resource Center and Liberty Family Resource Center. It is hopeful that they will be stocked with Narcan, Fentanyl Test Strips, Gun Locks and Condoms for public distribution. The team will continue to brainstorm ways to spread the messaging to intended communities.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Pursuant to State Law a motion was made at 9:17 AM to close the meeting for discussion of individual child deaths.

Motion: S. Thompson Second: R. Mehl Passed unanimously

ADJOURNMENT- There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:05 AM.

Respectfully submitted, Allison Blakely, BSN, RN Coordinator, Baltimore County Child Fatality Review Team