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Date: <Date>

To: Washoe County Child Death Review Team

From: Nevada Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children

Re: 2021 Quarter 2 Recommendation

The Nevada Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children (Executive Committee) meets quarterly to review the reports and recommendations of the regional multidisciplinary child death review teams and respond to these recommendations. This can include, but is not limited to, making recommendations for improvements to laws, policies, and practices to prevent the deaths of children under eighteen (18) in Nevada.

In Quarter 2 of 2021, the Washoe County Child Death Review Team submitted the following recommendation to the Executive Committee:

Information about safe sleep when traveling be included in the safe sleep education and literature information

The Executive Committee has discussed this recommendation and reviewed the current safe sleep materials distributed in the state. The materials instruct that safe sleep behaviors be followed “every time”. Therefore, the Executive Committee is not recommending any changes to the materials at this time and will close this recommendation and remove it from further discussion on the agenda. However, the Executive Committee suggests that the Washoe team consider a press release before peak family travel times (e.g., mid-December and the start of summer) to remind families of safe sleep behaviors. The press release could include a reminder to families to plan for safe sleep prior to arriving at their destination.

The Executive Committee thanks you for your recommendation and values your commitment in preventing child deaths in the State of Nevada. Please feel free to reach out with any questions to Jessica Freeman, jfreeman@dcfs.nv.gov, 702-486-7711.

Respectfully,

The Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children