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---NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING---

of the NEVADA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE DEATH OF CHILDREN NRS ([432B.409](#))

DATE: Wednesday, February 19, 2025

TIME: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm (or until adjournment)

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AGENDA

1. **Call to Order** – Melinda Rhoades, Co-Chair
2. **For Information Only:** Roll Call – Beverly Brown, Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS)
3. **Initial Public Comment (Discussion only):** Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item until scheduled on an agenda for action at a later meeting – Melinda Rhoades, Co-Chair

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4. **For Information Only:** Review the purpose of the Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children – Melinda Rhoades, Co-Chair
5. **For Possible Action:** Discussion and possible approval of the November 20, 2024, meeting minutes – Melinda Rhoades, Co-Chair
6. **For Information Only:** Pediatric Child Abuse Specialist Subcommittee report out. – Dr. Terence McAllister
7. **For Possible Action:** Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of the 2024 Annual Citizen's Review Panel (CRP) recommendation to DCFS. – Denise Tyre-Co-Chair
8. **For Information Only:** Discussion of the Review of Death of Children Account 432B.409 funding and the 2025 Notice of Funding Opportunity Timeline. – Beverly Brown, DCFS
9. **For Possible Action:** Consideration, discussion and possible approval of the 2022 Statewide Child Death Report. – April Stahl DCFS
10. **For Information Only:** Regional Child Death Review (CDR) Team 2024 Quarter 4 report out on regional trends, number of reviews, and their recommendations to the Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children. – Regional CDR team Chairs
 - Carson Region (Carson City, Douglas, and Storey counties)
 - Clark County
 - Elko/Ely Region (Elko, Eureka, Lander, and White Pine counties)
 - Fallon Region (Churchill, Lander, Mineral, Pershing, and Humboldt counties)
 - Nye County Region (Nye, Esmeralda, Lincoln counties)
 - Lyon County
 - Washoe County
11. **For Possible Action:** Discussion, consideration, and possible approval of the regional CDR Team 2024 Quarter 4 recommendations presented during agenda item 10. – Beverly Brown, DCFS

12. For Information Only: Presentation of existing educational materials for middle and high-school youth related to the dangers of Opiate and Fentanyl use. – Amber Hurtado and Jorge Montano-Figueroa.

13. For Possible Action: Discussion, consideration, and possible approval to create a subcommittee to develop a campaign and distribution of educational materials for middle school and high school youth and parents surrounding the dangers of fentanyl and fentanyl use (Washoe Q3 2024 Recommendation). – Beverly Brown DCFS

14. For Information Only: Updates to the Executive Committee on activities and spending of funds by current grantees for the prevention of child fatalities (Please see supporting materials).

- Baby’s Bounty
- Community Chest
- Nevada Medical Center, Hope Means Nevada
- Suicide Prevention Network
- NyE

15. For Information Only: Presentation from the Family Navigation Network – Director Diane Thorkildson

16. Final Public Comment and Discussion: (Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item until scheduled on an agenda for a later meeting)- Denise Tyre, Co-Chair

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17. Adjournment – Denise Tyre, Co-Chair

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