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Infant and Child Death Review Program

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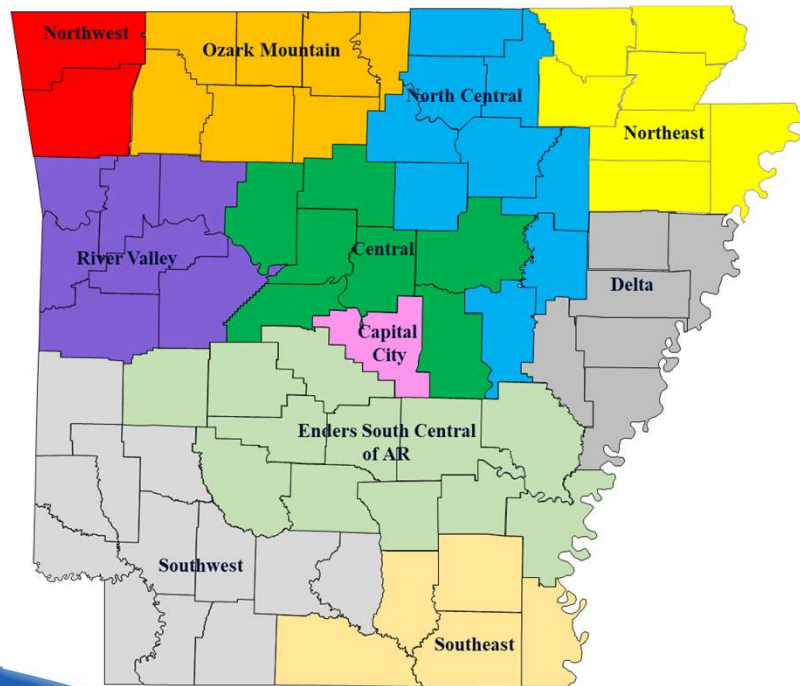




What is ICDR?

- The purpose of the Arkansas Infant and Child Death Review (ICDR) Program is:
 - To improve the response to infant and child fatalities.
 - Provide accurate information on how and why Arkansas children are dying.
 - Reduce the number of preventable infant and child deaths through local, state, and national recommendations.
- The ICDR is made up of 11 local teams.
- Legislatively mandated by Act 1818 of 2005 (A.C.A. § 20-27-1703-07).
- Grant funded by Arkansas Department of Health; Family Health Branch.

ICDR Local Teams

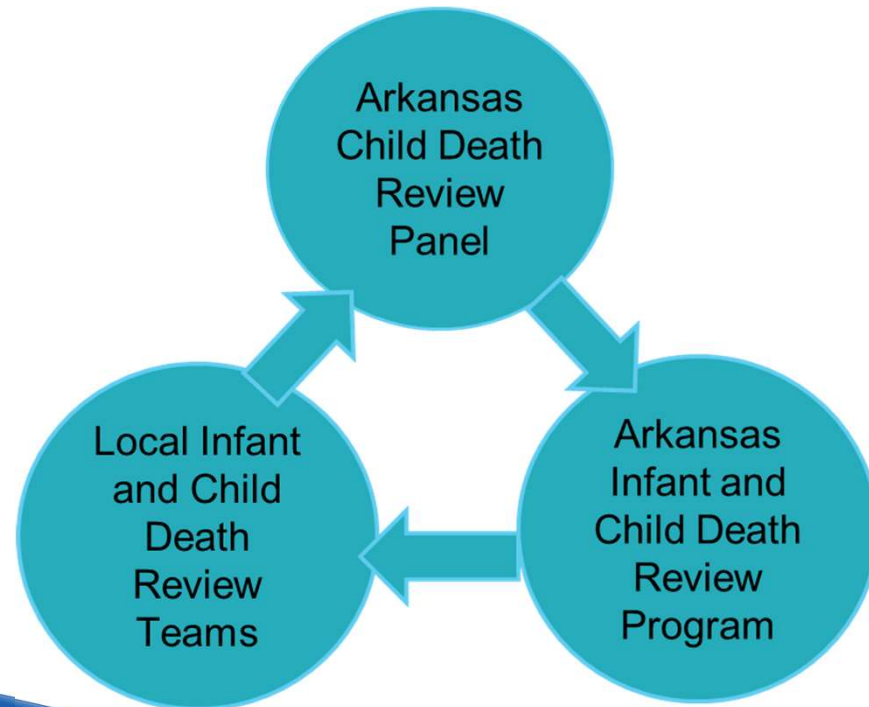




Act 1818 of 2005

- Act 1818 of 2005: requires a death review for cases of unexpected death in children under 18 years of age.
- Cases that are reviewable under this act:
 - Child was not under the care of a licensed physician for treatment of an illness that is the cause of death.
 - Death was due to Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS).
 - Death was due to an unknown cause.
 - Death was not under criminal investigation or being prosecuted.

Structure of ICDR



Key Findings

- Accidental Deaths:
 - No seat belt use in motor vehicle accidents was higher than seat belt use (1.00 vs. 0.57).
- Undetermined Deaths:
 - Undetermined deaths related to sleeping or sleep environment had a higher rate than any other undetermined deaths (4.57 vs. 0.29)
- Suicide Deaths:
 - The rate of black children who died by suicide was higher than white children (4.69 vs. 1.95).

