Steering Committee on Reduction of African American Child Deaths

October 19, 2016
2:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.
Sierra Health Foundation

Meeting Outcomes:
1) Ratify new RAACD name and logo through vote
2) Understand new Child Death Team Report data

2:15 p.m. Welcome and Updates:
Dr. Natalie Woods Andrews
Co-Chair, Steering Committee on Reduction of African American Child Deaths
• Approval of August and September 2016 Meeting Minutes
• Board of Supervisors and First 5 Annual Report

2:30 p.m. Vote on Communications Brand Strategy: Name and Logo
Larry Lee, The Observer Media Group
• Steering Committee Vote
  1. RAACD name and logo

3:15 p.m. Child Death Review Team Presentation
Stephanie Biegler, Child Abuse Prevention Center
• Presentation of Child Death Review Team report

4:00 p.m. Announcements: Important Dates and Events
• October 24, 2016 – Community Incubator Lead Profound Purpose Institute Theme: Perinatal Conditions
  Location: Sierra Health Foundation Bannon Island Room – 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

• November 7, 2016 – First 5 RAACD Presentation
  Location: Board of Supervisors Chambers, 700 H Street

• November 15, 2016 – Board of Supervisors RAACD Presentation
  Location: Board of Supervisors Chambers, 700 H Street

• November 29, 2016 – Results Based Accountability Training – 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
  Location: Library Galleria, 828 I Street

4:05 p.m. Public Comment

4:15 p.m. Adjourn
Steering Committee on Reduction of African American Child Deaths (RAACD)

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Sierra Health Foundation
1321 Garden Highway
Meeting Summary Notes

Meeting Attendance
Steering Committee Members Present: Pastor Alice Baber-Banks, Debra Cummings, Dr. Ethan Cutts, Captain Bobby Davis, Gladys Deloney, Paris Dye, Diane Galati, Keith Herron, Pastor Robert Jones, Alice Murphy-Hasan, Tina Roberts, Essence Webb, Kim Williams, Natalie Woods Andrews, Marlon Yarber

Steering Committee Members Not Present: none

Excused Absence: Stephanie Bray, Linda Fong-Somera, Chet Hewitt, Dr. Olivia Kasirye, Judge Barry Loncke, Kim Pearson, Wendy Petko

A quorum of members was present.

The Center Staff: Leslie Cooksy, Kaying Hang, Kari Ida, Kim Maslaniak, Kindra Montgomery-Block, Madeline Sabatoni

Guests: Nick Mori, Department of Public Health; Shannon Read, Center for Community Health and Wellbeing; Gina Roberson, TARC Coordinator; Alex Buckmaster, youth; Bobby Roy, Children’s Coalition; Larry Lee, The Observer; Lynn Berkeley Baskin, Sacramento Faces Race; Pleshette Robertson, Sac Cultural Hub; Rolanda Wilkins, Earth Mama Healing; Jackie Rose, Focus on Family Foundation; Susan Richardson, CAPC; Stephanie Biegler, CAPC; Greg King, Always Knocking; Shannon Williams, LPC Consultants; Michele Darling, LPC Consultants

Meeting Summary
Meeting called to order: 2:20 p.m.

Steering Committee Updates:
Dr. Natalie Woods Andrews, co-chair of the Steering Committee on Reduction of African American Child Deaths, opened the meeting with an overview of the agenda and introductions. Kindra Montgomery-Block, Program Officer of The Center gave an update on presentations the co-chairs will make to the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors on November 15 and Sacramento First 5 Commission on November 7. Staff will notify the Steering Committee of any specifics and ask that members attend to show support.

Dr. Woods Andrews called for a discussion of the August and September minutes. There was no discussion on the August minutes. Dr. Cutts moved to approve and Aliane Murphy-Hasan seconded. All approved.
Aliane Murphy-Hasan noted that she was in attendance at the September meeting. Essence Webb moved to approve the minutes with this change and Captain Davis seconded. All approved.

**Communications Brand Strategy: Name and Logo**

*Larry Lee, President of the Observer Media Group* presented the suggested communications brand strategy, including a name, logo and tagline.

Please see attached power point slides.

**Communications Brand Strategy Discussion**

Dr. Woods Andrews noted that the brand strategy will be rolled out all at once, to make the most impact.

A question was raised asking what will happen to the hashtag #RAACD. It was noted that this hashtag will still be used, along with others. Hashtags can flow into this brand.

Kindra clarified that the name of the Steering Committee will not be changed, as the committee was formed by the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors charter. This campaign will embody our deep community work.

**Vote on Steering Committee Campaign Name Recommendation**

The Steering Committee on the Reduction of African American Child Deaths approves the selection of the campaign name “Black Child’s Legacy Campaign,” along with the attached tagline and logo.

*Vote: Yes – Unanimous*

**Child Death Review Team Presentation**

*Stephanie Biegler, Chief Program Officer* and *Susan Richardson, staff of the Child Abuse Prevention Center*, presented the 2013-2014 Child Death Review Team data.

Please see attached power point slides.

**Child Death Review Team Presentation Discussion**

Stephanie noted that it is important that the safe sleep baby campaign components are kept consistent, across access points (hospitals, nonprofits, etc).

It was noted that the list of partners on page 3 of the report is made up of those who had involvement in a case and participated in the investigation. A second group of partners, the prevention advisory group, is convened to aggregate data and discuss recommendations. The Steering Committee requested to be notified when the prevention advisory group meets.

It was noted that multi-race numbers are in a separate category and a request was made to separate the African Americans in the multi-race category for the top causes of death as was done on pg. 33 for infant sleep related deaths. This can be done, but only numbers can be provided, not a comparison to the child population.
It was noted that third party homicide is referred to by law enforcement as Legal Intervention. There were no deaths related to this cause during this period of time.

It was noted that there were no other neighborhood concentrations.

LPC Associates noted that this will inform the data that the Data Hub will be compiling.

It was noted that the risk factors related to these deaths relate back to the circumstances that these children live in. This information should be relayed to the community incubator leads.

It was noted that the age of the parents is tracked, as well as if it was the parents’ first child.

Announcements:

Gladys Deloney, Deputy Director, Department of Human Assistance provided a multi-disciplinary team (MDT) update. The MDT staff will be in place at the South Sacramento Christian Center no later than October 25. Greater Sacramento Urban League put cubicles in for staff and Mutual Assistance Network was having furniture delivered.

Kindra will be contacting Steering Committee members for one-on-one meetings at the start of the new year.

Upcoming events:

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Public Comment:

Lynn Berkely-Baskin noted that Sacramento Faces Race will be hosting an event October 27-30 with the purpose to support the understanding of racism and to support Black-led projects. The concluding event will be discussing RAACD at Liberty Towers on Sunday at 6:30 p.m. The speaker is Jay Jordan from Safe and Just.

Meeting adjourned: 4:12 p.m.
RAACD | REDUCTION OF AFRICAN AMERICAN CHILD DEATHS

THE BRAND

PRESENTED BY:
OBSERVER MEDIA GROUP, CB COMMUNICATIONS,
& BLANKET MARKETING GROUP
THE NEW BRAND
Black Child Legacy Campaign:
Uniting Families and Communities for a Healthy Future
Sacramento County
Child Death Review Team
Two Year Report: 2013-2014

Presented to:
Steering Committee on
Reduction of African American Child Deaths

October 19, 2016
MISSION

- Review all child fatalities of Sacramento County children birth through 17 years of age.

- Enhance the investigation of all child deaths through multi-agency review.

- Develop an aggregate description of all child deaths to identify cause of death, including abuse/neglect.

- Develop recommendations for the prevention and response to child deaths based on the reviews and aggregate information.
2013-2014 Sacramento County Child Deaths

- 265 child deaths
  - includes 4 deaths of out of county residents who died of injuries sustained in Sacramento County

- 261 Sacramento County Resident Child Deaths
  - 196 (75%) Natural Deaths
  - 55 (21%) Injury-Related Deaths
  - 10 (4%) Deaths of Undetermined Manner

- Child Death Rate = 36.4 per 100,000 children

  2011-2012 Child Death Rate = 38.1 per 100,000 children
2004-2014 Sacramento County Child Death Rates
73% (194 of 265) of child deaths were in four categories:

1. 77 Perinatal Conditions (29%)
2. 61 Congenital Anomalies (23%)
3. 28 Infant Sleep-Related Deaths (11%)
4. 28 Homicides (11%)
   1. 16 Child Abuse and Neglect (CAN) homicides
   2. 12 Third-party homicides

- Includes 4 CAN homicides of out of county residents who were injured in Sacramento County
Geographic Distribution Map 2013-2014 Child Deaths

Sacramento County Resident Child Deaths 2013-2014 (n=261)

Type
- Injury Related
- Natural
- Undetermined
2013-2014 Age Demographics

- 261 total Sacramento County Resident Child Deaths.

**Sacramento County Child Deaths by Age Category 2013-2014**

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83% (221 of 265) of all child decedents had at least one risk factor. This is an increase from 76% in 2009-2010.
Child Death Review Team
2013-2014 Report

Sacramento County
Child Death Review Team
Findings
2013-2014 Findings
Injury-Related Deaths

Injury-related deaths increased 7% from 2011-2012 to 2013-2014

Injury Related Child Deaths in Sacramento County
3 Year Rolling Average, 2004-2014

- All Injuries (n=384)
- Unintentional Injury (n=184)
- Intentional Injury (n=196)
There were 16 CAN homicides

Rate of CAN homicides increased by 91%
- 2.1 per 100,000 children between 2013-2014
- 1.1 per 100,000 children between 2011-2012

Three-fourths of CAN homicide perpetrators are parents.
- Thirty-eight percent (6 of 16) of parent perpetrators had a history of CPS referrals or involvement as children.
Half of the all CAN Homicide decedents (8 of 16) were involved with or had family involvement with Sacramento County Child Protective Services prior to death.

- 25% (4 of 16) of decedents had history with Sacramento County CPS themselves (referral or case)
- 50% (8 of 16) of decedents had a sibling with Sacramento County CPS history
- 25% (4 of 16) of decedents had a parent with Sacramento County CPS history
Child Abuse and Neglect (CAN) homicides have statistically significant correlations with the following risk factors:

- Children with prior Child Protective Services referrals or involvement are 2090% more likely to suffer a CAN homicide than children having no prior Child Protective Services contact, at a 99% confidence level.

- Children receiving TANF are 74% more likely to suffer a CAN homicide than children who do not receive this aid, at a 91% confidence level.
2013-2014 Findings
Child Abuse and Neglect Homicide

Rate of CAN Homicides decreased 1997-2014

Child Abuse and Neglect Homicides of Sacramento County Residents
Rolling Five-Year Average of Rates, 1997-2014
2013-2014 Findings
Child Maltreatment Deaths

89% (25 of 28) of child maltreatment deaths occurred in children 0-5 years of age.

Sacramento County Child Maltreatment Deaths by Category
2013-2014 (n=28)
2013-2014 Findings
Infant Sleep-Related Deaths

The number of infant sleep-related deaths decreased, from 21.3 per year between 2007-2009 to 18.0 per year between 2012-2014.

Sacramento County Infant Sleep-Related Deaths
3 Year Rolling Average, 2000-2014
100% of infant sleep-related deaths had unsafe sleep conditions associated with the infant’s death.

Unsafe Infant Sleep Conditions in Sacramento County Resident Infant Sleep-Related Deaths 2013-2014 (n=28)

- Unsafe Sleeping Location
- Unsafe Sleeping Position (Side or Stomach)
- Co-Sleeping
- Object Obstructing Airway
- Drug or Alcohol Use at Time of Death

- All Decedents
- African American Decedents
Infants with prior Child Protective Services referrals are 2.4 times as likely to suffer an infant sleep-related death.

A statistically significant correlation at a 99% confidence level based on a chi-squared analysis.

A statistically significant correlation was found between a history of Child Protective Services referrals and infant sleep-related deaths in neighborhoods with very high economic risk at a 98% confidence level.
Injury-related youth deaths among Sacramento County Residents decreased by 42%, from 24.7 per year between 2005-2007 to 14.3 between 2013-2014.

Three-fourths of injury-related youth deaths occur among children 15-17 years of age.
The three leading causes of injury related death among Sacramento County resident youths in 2013-2014 were:

- Suicide (11 deaths)
- Third-party homicide (10 deaths)
- Motor Vehicle Collisions (7 deaths)
One-half of all third-party homicide perpetrators in youth deaths were known gang members.

Firearms were used in more than half of third-party homicides and youth suicides.

Nearly three-quarters of suicide decedents displayed known warning sign prior to their death.
African American children died at a rate two times higher than that of all children in Sacramento County.

- African American children died at a rate of 82.2 per 100,000 children between 2013-2014, compared to that of all Sacramento County children, who died at a rate of 36.4 per 100,000.

- African American children comprised 11% of the County child population between 2013-2014, and comprised 23% of all child deaths.
2013-2014 Findings
African American Child Death Disproportionality

Sacramento County Resident Child Deaths per 100,000 Children
3 year rolling average, 1990-2014

African American Child Death Rate
Child Death Rate Excluding African Americans
Overall Child Death Rate
2013-2014 Findings
African American Child Death Disproportionality

African American Disproportionality by Cause of Death
Sacramento County Resident Child Deaths
2013-2014 Deaths

- CAN Homicide
- Drowning
- Infant Sleep Related
- MVC
- Perinatal Conditions
- Infections
- Congenital Anomalies
- Third Party Homicide
- Undetermined Manner
- Suicide
- Cancer
- All Deaths

Percent of Deaths

African American Child Decedents 2013-2014
African American Child Population-Sacramento County
2013-2014 Findings
African American Child Death Disproportionality

- Perinatal Deaths

![Graph showing Sacramento County Resident Perinatal Deaths per 100,000 Children from 2004-2014. The graph shows the number of child deaths per year, categorized by race and overall child death rate. The data indicates a decreasing trend in child deaths from 2004 to 2014, with a sharper decline after 2009. African American child death rate is lower than the overall child death rate, with a peak in 2006 and a decline thereafter.]
2013-2014 Findings
African American Child Death Disproportionality

- Infant Sleep-Related Deaths

![Graph showing Sacramento County Resident Infant Sleep-Related Deaths per 100,000 Children, 3 year rolling average, 2004-2014]

- African American Child Death Rate
- Child Death Rate Excluding African Americans
- Overall Child Death Rate
2013-2014 Findings
African American Child Death Disproportionality

- Child Abuse and Neglect Homicides
2013-2014 Findings
African American Child Death Disproportionality

- Third Party Homicides

![Graph: Sacramento County Resident Third-Party Homicides per 100,000 Children (3 year rolling average, 2004-2014)]

- African American Child Death Rate
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- Overall Child Death Rate
### 2013-2014 Findings
Mechanism of Death in Homicides

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2013-2014 Kernel Density Map
African American Child Death Disproportionality
### Neighborhoods
#### African American Child Death Disproportionality

- 74% of African American deaths in 2013-2014 were in 6 target neighborhoods

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<th>Percent of all African American Deaths</th>
<th>Percent of Sacramento Child Population</th>
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| Total AA Deaths in Target Neighborhoods | 46 | 74% | 100% |
Sacramento County
Child Death Review Team
Recommendations
Recommendations
African American Child Death Disproportionality

Continue the work of the Blue Ribbon Commission, Sacramento County First 5, and the Reduction of African American Child Deaths Steering Committee to implement and monitor targeted, coordinated efforts to reduce the disproportionate African American death rates.
Comments & Questions