



North Carolina Child Fatality Task Force
Intentional Death Prevention Committee
MEETING AGENDA
December 14, 2020 | 1 pm to 3:30 pm

This meeting is virtual only. Anyone can register to attend the live meeting through the following link, and will be sent information to access the meeting:
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7698603806561811470>

1:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome and roll call attendance Approval of minutes from meeting on 11/4/2020, available at: https://www.ncleg.gov/Documents/116#Intentional%20Death%20Prevention\2020-2021\agenda,%20minutes,%20and%20roster 	Jennie Kristiansen & Brett Loftis , Committee Co-Chairs
Continuation of discussion from 11/4/2020 meeting on next steps related to addressing student mental health and child abuse and neglect reporting		
1:20	Highlights from previous meetings and potential areas of action	Committee Co-Chairs and CTF Executive Director
1:30	Committee discussion and determination of any areas of action	Facilitated by Committee Co-Chairs
Carry Over Item: Infant Safe Surrender (see below)		
2:15	Overview of Infant Safe Surrender recommendations and CFTF work on this topic; approach to legislation	Kella Hatcher, JD , Executive Director, NC Child Fatality Task Force
2:30	Committee discussion and determination addressing Infant Safe Surrender	Facilitated by Committee Co-Chairs
Updates from NC Division of Social Services		
3:00	Updates on Child Welfare Reform and Family First Prevention Services Act	Lisa Cauley, MSW , Senior Director for Child, Family and Adult Services, NCDHHS; Kathy Stone , Section Chief, Child Protective Services and Prevention, Child Welfare, NC DSS
	Announcements	

2020 carry-over item being addressed today for 2021:

Infant safe surrender was addressed in an administrative item in 2020 (the item was essentially paused with plans to reconsider during this study cycle); what follows is the safe surrender legislative recommendation that was on the 2019 CFTF Action Agenda:

Support legislative changes to strengthen North Carolina’s Infant Safe Surrender law to make it more likely the law will be used in circumstances for which it was intended to protect a newborn infant at risk of abandonment or harm by making legislative changes to accomplish the following: 1) remove “any adult” from those designated to accept a surrendered infant; 2) provide information to a surrendering parent; 3) strengthen protection of a surrendering parent’s identity; 4) incorporate steps to help ensure the law is only applied when criteria are met.

There are no more meetings of the Intentional Death Prevention Committee until the next study cycle, which will begin in the late summer or fall of 2021 (the CFTF meets between legislative sessions).

The full CFTF meets on January 11 from 9 to 12 (only the 36 statutory members of the CFTF are expected to attend these meetings but committee volunteers and others are welcome to tune in).