

§ 7B-1413.5. (Effective January 1, 2026) Participation in the National Fatality Review Case Reporting System.

(a) Local Teams, the State Office, and medical examiner child fatality staff shall utilize the National Fatality Review Case Reporting System (NFR-CRS) for the purpose of collecting, analyzing, and reporting on information learned through child death reviews in a manner consistent with this Article. Use of other data systems in addition to the use of the NFR-CRS is not prohibited so long as the use of other data systems does not conflict with this Article or other applicable laws.

(b) The State Office shall provide the necessary coordination, training, management, and technical assistance to support North Carolina's full and effective participation in the NFR-CRS and shall work with Local Teams and the national administrators of the NFR-CRS to help ensure effective and appropriate use of the system.

(c) The State Office shall provide policies, guidelines, and training for Local Teams that address the use of the NFR-CRS, including (i) appropriate information protection and sharing consistent with applicable State and federal laws, (ii) who is authorized to access the NFR-CRS, and (iii) requirements for accessing the NFR-CRS. (2023-134, s. 9H.15(f); 2024-57, s. 2B.2(d).)