South Dakota Preventable Death Review Committee Meeting
November 20, 2019

The South Dakota Preventable Death Review (SDPDR) Committee was called to order by Colleen Winter at 10:00am (CST). The following members of the committee were in attendance: Colleen Winter, Dr. Mary Carpenter, Mark East, Mark Smith, Katelyn Strasser, Amanda Nelson, Mariah Pokorny, Kiley Hump, Josh Phillips, Dan Hill, David Rafferty, Trent Nelson, Sarah Shewbrooks and Josh Clayton

Committee members not in attendance were: Brian Zeeb, Dr. Donald Habbe, Dr. Kenneth Snell, Erin Baumgart, Jennie Clabo, Joe Bosman, Mike Colwell, Nicole Kerekenbush, Representative Erin Healy, Virgena Wieseler, Ashley Miller and Mark Gildemaster

Welcome
Colleen Winter, Chair, welcomed the committee and members introduced themselves to the group. Colleen provided an overview of the South Dakota Preventable Death Review Committee and purpose of the committee.

The agenda included updates and discussion on ad hoc committees and opportunities for collaboration moving forward.

Infant and Child Mortality Review
Linda Ahrendt updated the group on the infant and child mortality review ad hoc committee. They have met twice since the last meeting. They will review data statewide for child deaths 0-12 years of age, including infants that have left the hospital. The data shows to have an average 60 deaths a year for this age group. Moving forward there will be two death review committees, East and West River. They will meet three times a year.

Next Steps for Infant and Child Mortality Review Committee:
The committee will work with the National Center for Fatality Review and Prevention to assist with planning including; committee make up, training for abstracters and training for review team members and getting memorandums of agreements in place if necessary. The team will meet again in January 2020.

Maternal Mortality Review:
Katelyn Strasser, provided an updated from the Maternal Mortality ad hoc committee. They have met twice since out last meeting. The maternal mortality review committee has a new abstractor for their data and they have started using MMRIA, a national database for maternal mortality data. Three committee members will be attending a MMRIA training in December 2019. Maternal Mortality data is now available on the DOH website.
**Maternal Mortality Next Steps:**
The group will work on committee structure and membership. They are working on data sharing, creating MOU’s with each facility, working on how data will be abstracted and getting records from clinics, law enforcement and out-of-state. The first Maternal Mortality review will be in early 2020.

**SD-Violent Death Reporting System (SD-VDRS):**
Kiley Hump provided an overview of SD-VDRS, how the pilot year has been with Minnehaha and Pennington counties and how they are preparing for going state wide in January of 2020. Kiley provided the group with handouts of resources for data providers that are available on the DOH website.

Amanda Nelson updated the group on the data collection process so far. Of the data that has been collection from January – September 2019, there has been a total of 38 violent deaths that occurred in both Minnehaha and Pennington counties. Amanda provided the group with a handout with preliminary data. This data is only meant to be shared with this group and is not ready for the public. Looking to the committee to provide feedback on this data and how it is perceived.

**Questions on Initial Data:**
**Do the family member report those life stressors/mental health diagnoses?**
This data comes from interviews with family members or friends and doesn’t come directly from hospitals. It is the data provided by the coroners in their reports.

**Is there a definition of what treatment means?**
CDC has strict guidelines for what information is to be coded to in the reporting system. It can also depend on the way the data is collected by law enforcement and coroners.

Mariah Pokorny, they are working on an electronic standard report for all coroners to use around the state. This will help the coroners in their data collection and allow for more consistency

**SD-VDRS Next steps:**
Continuing to do data collection and plan on going statewide in January of 2020. There is an SD-VDRS one-pager and pocket guide available on the DOH website. Please contact Amanda Nelson to order those. There will also be a coroner clipboard coming soon.

The SD-VDRS ad hoc committee will continue to provide training and education through presentations at the annual Coroner meeting and South Dakota Sheriff’s Association meeting. Share information in listservs and newsletters and reach out to counties with higher number of violent deaths.

**Related Projects:**
- Overdose Data to Act on (OD2A)
  - Enhance surveillance and prevention efforts around drug overdoses
  - State Unintentional Drug Overdose Reporting System (SUDORS) -similar data collection process for collecting data on all overdoses as SD-VDRS.
- Alcohol-Related Deaths in SD Report
  - Located on DOH Injury Surveillance and Prevention page on the DOH website
- Injuries in SD Report
  - Coming soon to the DOH Injury Surveillance and Prevention page on the DOH website
  - Overview of what injuries look like in SD
- SD Suicide Prevention Plan – multiple state agency effort – will be released in January 2020.

**Opportunities for Collaboration:**
There was a discussion surrounding the data collection process and how we plan to move ahead with abstracting the data. We are looking to share abstractors for Infant and Child and Violent Deaths. Maternal Mortality has their own abstractor that currently works within the DOH.

**Data sharing agreement and what they may look like:**
There was a discussion surrounding what the data sharing agreements might look like. Looking at data sharing agreements to expand all the review areas of infant and child, maternal mortality and violent death. It was proposed to have a data meeting to look at what is exactly is needed for the data sharing agreements.

**Next Steps for this committee:**
Ad hoc committees will continue to move forward.
We will continue to work on getting data sharing agreements in place.
Keep in touch with everyone of where we are with data sharing agreements and as we roll out the statewide data collection for the various death reviews

**Look for:**
Data sharing agreements
Going statewide in January 2020 for SD-VDRS.
Governor Noem’s statewide suicide prevention plan to be released in January 2020. Data collected through the SD-VDRS will really help support that.

If you would to be involved in any of the ad hoc committees please let Kiley, Linda or Katelyn know. Or if you have someone else in your agency that you like to be involved reach out or send us a name.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30pm.