

Summary, State FIMR Coordinators Call

Wednesday 12/7/16, 2 – 3 p.m. EST

Present:

Rosemary Fournier (*facilitator*)
Maggie Gray, NJ
Joan Kelley, DE
Andrea Filio, OH
Joyce Marshall, OK
Joani Dotson, Tulsa, OK
Susanna Joy, MI
Robin Gruenfeld, LA
Gretchen Martin, IN
Kari Tutwiler, MT
Richa Renade, MD
Sarah Brickley, FL
Amy Stratton, AL

I. Welcome and brief introductions

II. Round robin, updates from states

- a. New Jersey: has been using the FIMR web-based datasytem, recently completed training on the database with Esther Shaw, Senior Data analyst for the Center.
- b. Indiana: Working on legislation to authorize FIMR. Currently there is no authority to give access to medical records to conduct FIMR. Marion County FIMR has had a nice success, they got Child Services to attend their last CRT meeting. One team has added a Librarian, and an Oral Health component, another team has partnered with a family genealogy historian to recognize patterns of grief responses that are culture based.
- c. Michigan: coordinator has been busy supporting the efforts of 12 local teams. 4 of the 11 are getting additional funding through the state. Michigan FIMR is working with Vital Records to give teams access to stillbirth and fetal death records. They are exploring giving users access to the electronic systems.
- d. Oklahoma: there are two FIMR's in Oklahoma, Tulsa and Oklahoma City. The Tulsa area FIMR is Title V funded and covers 8 counties. Both have been implementing many initiatives on Infant Safe Sleep and believe that FIMR findings have been an important part of a recent reduction of these preventable fatalities. Tulsa has partnered with a non-profit to funds a Safe Sleep Study and a Pack-n-Play giveaway.

- e. Ohio: 10 local FIMR teams are in operation. Teams are using their own database, and are required to report quarterly to the State on standard variables. They participate in State conference calls quarterly on the second Monday of the month, and meet in person twice a year.
- f. Montana: Local FICMR teams cover over 50 counties in Montana, they are funded by Title V. Teams are required to do a minimum of one child death prevention activities per year. They use the on-line CDR database currently. Many of the counties are rural frontier communities, the FICMR staff wear many hats. Teams review all of their Natural Infant Deaths and are moving toward evidence-based prevention activities. They are looking for training. Kari reports that Montana is the #1 state in the nation for the highest youth suicide rate. There is a State Suicide prevention coordinator who is putting together recommendations for the legislature.
- g. Maryland: Richa is new to these calls. She is the CDR coordinator for Maryland and is “holding the fort” until a FIMR coordinator is hired to replace Allison Whitney who recently left her position. There are 24 FIMR programs in Maryland, one in every county.
- h. Florida: Sara is standing in today for Jane Murphy. FIMR is administered in Florida through State Healthy Start Coalitions. They were recently approved for an award of \$100,000 through a legislature appropriation to the Florida Department of Health. Florida has been using BASINETT for data collection and are eager to see the new integrated database under development at the NCFRP. Florida FIMR projects have just recently completed a training needs survey, they are planning 3 trainings and will be distributing new Tool Kits.
- i. Delaware: The Maternal Interviewer is currently on FMLA, so they have suspended Maternal Interviews temporarily. Joan is looking for an interim bereavement social worker. There are two Delaware FIMR teams, covering North and south Delaware. They hold their review meetings on the first and second of the month. Joan is celebrating her 10th anniversary with FIMR, she is the first and only coordinator for Delaware. Congratulations, Joan!
- j. Alabama: 5 FIMRs are state-based under the administration of the Alabama Department of Health. The 5 Regions are based on the regional NICU Structure. FIMR and the State perinatal Program partner, the nurse coordinators do all the functions for FIMR, case abstraction, case summaries, maternal interviews, and facilitate review meetings. Region V is welcoming a new coordinator – Shirley Daniel. Amy mentioned that ZIKA has become an increasing concern in Alabama, they are complying with the pregnancy registry and the birth defects registry. Alabama has received one of the AMCHP Safe Sleep awards and have launched an awareness campaign for the major metropolitan areas. They are also working on increasing breastfeeding rates along with Perinatal Regionalization. There is only one Level IV Hospital in Alabama.

- k. Louisiana: Robin coordinates all of FIMR, CDR, and PAMR. Louisiana is divided in to 9 Public Health Regions, there is a FIMR coordinator in each of the 9 who abstracts, summarizes and presents cases. There is one State shared CAT, serving both FIMR and CDR, they also coordinate with Home Visiting to deepen the engagement of those already leveraging resources. PAT and NFP are the two Home Visiting models being implemented in Louisiana.

III. Update on National Center for Fatality Review

- a. **Webinars** – will be every other month, second Wednesday of the month, 1 – 2 p.m. EST.
 - i. November 16th: archived and available if you missed it. Effective Review of Natural Infant deaths.
 - ii. December 14th: 2 – 3 p.m. ET: Vicarious Trauma
 - iii. January 11th Building Partnership for Effective Reviews
- b. Surveys for annual FIMR profile. Please respond! Drawing for \$25.00 gift card for all who respond.
- c. Progress on FIMR/CDR integrated database
- d. New guidance for teams reviewing cases of ZIKA effected pregnancies
- e. Coming in 2017: Regional FIMR Network community of practice opportunities

IV. Status of Workgroups

- a. Disparities – next conference call is 12/8/16, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. EST.
 - 1. Team Composition
 - 2. Team education and training around race, life course
 - 3. Translation of recommendation to action
- b. FIMR Database – On hold while the Center gets bids on the financial aspect of version 5.0 – integrated FIMR and CDR database. Workgroup will re-convene when there is a draft product to review.

- V. Dates for 2017 FIMR State Coordinators Meetings: 1st Wednesday of the month, 2:30 – 3:30 ET ; **3/1/17, 6/7/17, 9/6/17, 12/6/17**

Meeting adjourned 3:05 p.m. EST