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**HISTORY AND KEY FEATURES: DC CHILD FATALITY REVIEW**

- 1992 DC - CFRC was created by Mayor’s Order
- 2003 DC law was enacted
- Goal of CFRC
- Review criteria
- Membership
- Two Review Teams Meet monthly - IMR & CFR
- Three cases review mechanisms
- Staff: 3 Full Time/2 Part-Time staff perform functions equivalent to other State and local/county level CDR processes
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Historical Challenges – Prior to 2008

- No authority to enforce implementation or impose sanctions
- Limited involvement from Executive Branch and Cabinet levels of government
- Inconsistent Agency responses and implementation efforts
- Critical systemic gaps/concerns continue to be highlighted as problems during case review meetings
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## Section II: Agency Response

**Does Agency Accept Recommendation?**
- [ ] Yes
- [ ] Yes, with modification
- [ ] No, with explanation and alternative recommendation

**Provide Modification or Alternative Recommendation:**

**Describe Best Practices**

**Describe specific actions planned towards implementation (in steps and timetable):**

**Describe specific actions taken to date towards implementation:**

**Describe expected outcome:**

**Describe measurable indicators/milestones related to implementation that can be reported on regular basis:**

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**Date Response Due:**

**Date Submitted**

**Name of Agency Contact for Follow-Up Questions**

**Telephone:**

**Email Address:**

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**District of Columbia Government**

**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER**

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Interagency Collaboration and Services Integration Commission

- 21 Member Commission of Mayor and Cabinet
- Purpose: address needs of at-risk children/youth by reducing juvenile and family violence and promoting social and emotional skills among children and youth through the oversight of a comprehensive integrated service delivery system.

- Goals:
  - Children ready for school
  - Children/youth succeed in school
  - Children/youth healthy and practice healthy behavior
  - Children/youth engage in meaningful activities
  - Children/youth live in health, stable and supportive families
  - All youth make a successful transition into adulthood
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OUTCOMES/BENEFITS

- Three ICSIC - CFRC meetings held, presented recommendations in areas of health, child care, education, truancy, coordinated case management, and parenting model
- Increased communication between CFRC and Office of Mayor
- Increased communication between CFRC and agencies related to feedback on recommendation, implementation strategies and responses
- Increased and expedited receipt of responses with more realistic timeframes for implementations