

Other helpful organisations:

Foundation for the Study of Infant Deaths (FSID)

www.fsid.org.uk

Helpline: 0808 802 6868

The Child Bereavement Trust

www.childbereavement.org.uk

01494 568900

Cruse Bereavement Care – Referral lines for Cambridgeshire

Monday- Wednesday-Friday 9.30am – 5.00 pm

01223 302662

Peterborough: 01733 348439 – This is an answer machine

Winston's Wish – Charity for Bereaved Children

www.winstonswish.org.uk

Helpline: 08452 03 04 05

Survivors of bereavement by Suicide

www.uk-sobs.org.uk

Helpline: 0844 561 6855

9.00 am - 9.00 pm



Child Death Overview Process

Information for Parents and Carers

What are Child Death Overviews?

Since April 2008 the law requires that all child deaths must be reviewed by the Local Child Death Overview Panel (CDOP).

Why have you given me this?

This leaflet will explain the processes involved for reviews of child deaths in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough

Why have Child Death Overviews?

It is every family's right to have the circumstances of their child's death properly reviewed. It is hoped that by reviewing all child deaths, other children and families can be helped in the future.

Will parents be involved?

We would welcome your views about the support you have received and will consider them at the meeting but parents are not invited to the panel meeting.

We would be happy to let you know our findings if you would find this helpful.

Contact:

CDOP Administrator:

01223 725330 or by email:

p-pct.cdop@nhs.net

Who is involved?

The Child Death Overview Panel (CDOP) will be made up of representatives from:

- Public Health
- Children's Services
- Police
- Ambulance
- Hospital
- Community Services
- Coroner

What will they talk about?

The panel will look at basic personal, health and social details of all children being reviewed. They will see if they can do anything to prevent a similar thing happening to another child in Peterborough or Cambridgeshire.

It may be several months after the child's death before the circumstances are reviewed. This enables all the relevant information to be secured.

Will they know it is my child being discussed?

No, all information will be anonymous. Each case has an individual number and that is all the panel will know.

How will the panel report on its findings?

Every year the panel will produce a report for the Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) but there will be no personal information in this report.

Will they publish information about my child?

No. It remains confidential.

There will be a national yearly review of all CDOP reports. This will be made available to the Government for recommendations but it will remain anonymous.

Further Information:

CDOP Administrator:

01223 725330

Cambridgeshire LSCB website:

www.cambslscb.org.uk

Peterborough LSCB website:

www.peterboroughlscb.org.uk