

Definitions.

As used in this chapter:

- (A) "Cause of death" means the classification of death as listed in box 30 on the Ohio death certificate, or an equivalent box on future forms. Examples of causes include, but are not limited to, birth defects, drowning and submersion, electrocution, extreme prematurity, falls, fire and burn, firearms and weapons, pneumonia, poisoning, shaken baby syndrome, sudden infant death syndrome, suffocation and strangulation, vehicular, and other cause.
- (B) "Child" means any person under eighteen years of age.
- (C) "Child fatality review (CFR) board" means a county or regional board established or appointed to review deaths of children residing in the county or region for the purpose of decreasing the incidence of preventable child deaths.
- (D) "Circumstance of death" means any accompanying or surrounding details of the death beyond the cause and manner of death. Examples include, but are not limited to, drowning in a bucket or house fire in rental unit.
- (E) "Contributing factors" mean other factors beyond the cause and manner of death that may be partly responsible for the child's death. Examples of contributing factors include medical factors; alcohol use by parent, caretaker or child; drug use by parent, caretaker or child; tobacco use by parent, caretaker or child; use or non-use of safety devices; level of supervision; environmental factors; and mental or behavioral factors of parent, caretaker or child.
- (F) "County commissioners" mean the board of county commissioners established under Chapter 305. of the Revised Code or an alternative form of county government established pursuant to Chapter 301. of the Revised Code with the responsibilities of county commissioners.
- (G) "County of residence" means the county of residence as identified on the Ohio death certificate.
- (H) "Department or director" means the director of the Ohio department of health or any official or employee of the department designated by the director of the Ohio department of health.
- (I) "Geographic location of death" means the county in which the child was pronounced dead.
- (J) "Health commissioner" means the health commissioner of a general, city or county health district or the individual with the responsibilities of a health commissioner in a city or county health district.
- (K) "Manner of death" means the classification of death listed in box 32 on the Ohio death certificate, or equivalent box on future forms. The classification is limited to natural, accident, homicide, suicide, and undetermined.

- (L) "Preventable" means the degree to which an individual or community could have reasonably done something that would have changed the circumstances that led to the child's death.
- (M) "Public record" means any record defined in division (A)(1) of section 149.43 of the Revised Code.
- (N) "Review" means a general assessment or examination of the death of a child. The review shall at least consider the cause of death; manner of death; circumstance of death; contributing factors; age; sex; race and ethnicity; and geographic location of death.

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