

# Development of a Curricular Session on Advocacy through Service as a Pediatric Expert on a Child Fatality Review Team Rashaan Ford, MD



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## **BACKGROUND**

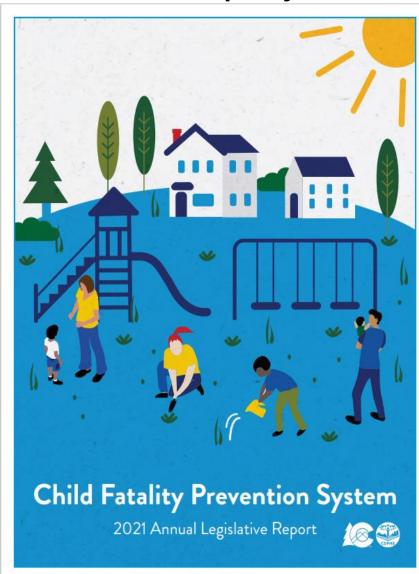
- Pediatric training program requirements for education in community health and advocacy are outlined as items of importance to ACGME and American Academy of Pediatrics.
- Educational opportunities and programs in this arena vary among institutions.
- AAP encourages increased engagement of pediatric experts as advocates on child fatality review teams through CDR Grants; Policy Statement outlines role of pediatric experts on teams
- Child Fatality Prevention System is the state's public health model of child fatality prevention and advocacy.

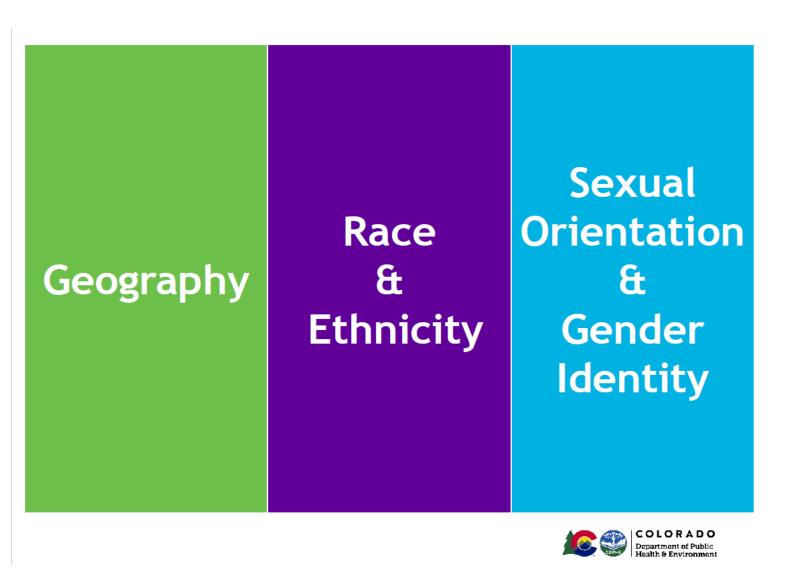
## **METHODS**

- Population
  - Pediatric Residency Advocacy Rotation and Child Protection Team Elective Learners
- Pre-session survey
- Pre-session educational material and briefing
  - AAP Statement, CFPS Report and Disparity Data
- Active Participation in Local County CFRT Meeting
  - MDT case review, data collection, prevention strategy discussion
- Debrief and Post-session survey

# **RESULTS TO DATE**

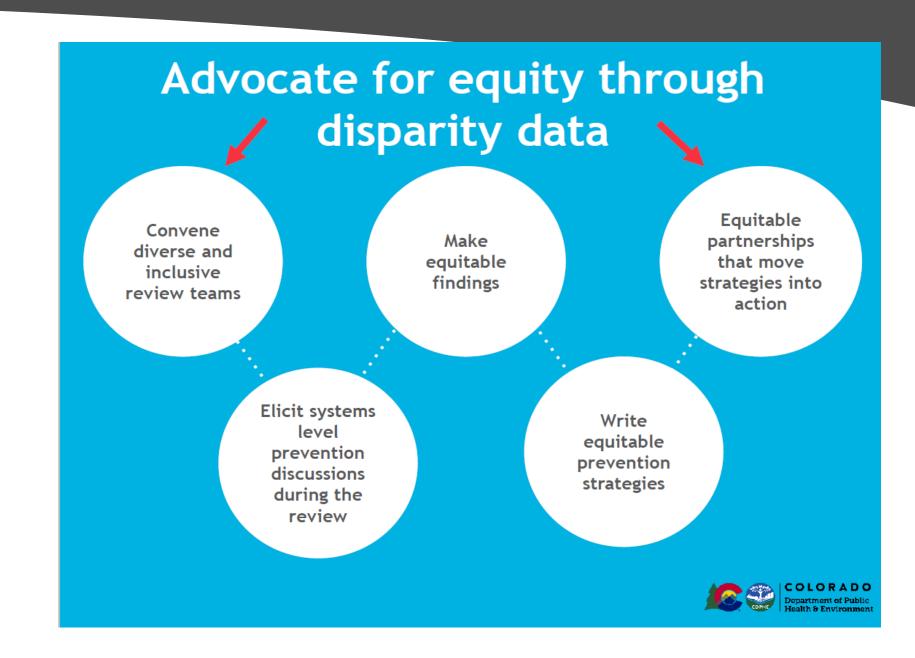
- Three trial sessions implemented in Fall 2021
- Four Pediatrics Residence and three Child Abuse Pediatrics Elective Learners participated in trial sessions with feedback.
- Curricular sessions and data collection resumed in 2022 with scheduled CFPS/CFRT meetings.
- Full project evaluation will be completed in 2023.





## **QUALITATIVE SESSION FEEDBACK**

- Positive "... interactions with community and public health officials."
- Thoughtful incorporation of data collection and discussion of "... impact of systemic and structural factors on child fatality disparities."
- "Heavy" emotional impact of cases, "appreciate more resiliency discussion..." in debrief.
- Interest in more information to "... connect local work to state processes."
- "... different way to think about advocacy."



### **IMPLICATIONS**

- Novel curricular and educational session.
- Session development info listed in reported to AAP and Section on Child Death Review as part of initiatives supported by grant.
- Knowledge gained from project will be generalizable and disseminated to inform broader curricular modifications for educational strategies to be adapted for development of learners' advocacy skillset.

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