

# Child Death Review

*Where Have we Been and Where are we Going*




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# What is Child Death Review?



A landscape photograph of a park. In the foreground, a dirt path winds through a green field, bordered by a wooden fence. Two large, leafy trees stand on the left. In the background, two grassy hills are visible under a clear blue sky. The text "1980s-1990s" is overlaid on the right side of the image.

1980s-1990s



2000-2009







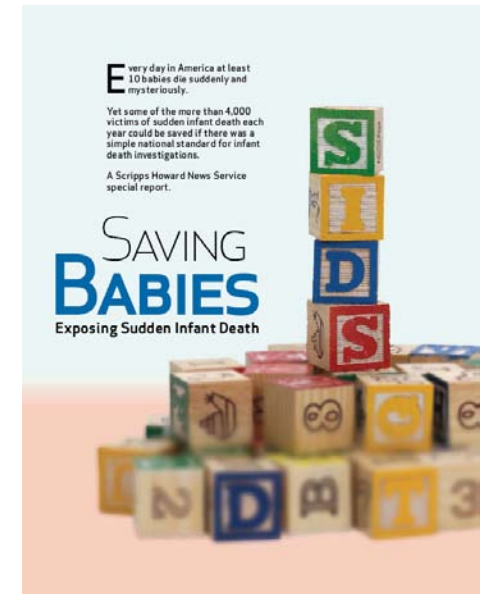




# Scripps Howard News Service

## Analysis of SUIDI Deaths, 2000-2004 n=21,990

Type of Review	Accidental Suffocation	Homicide
No CDR	7.1%	7.1%
State only	9.2%	7.5%
Local only	12.4%	8.0%
State and Local	15.3%	9.0%

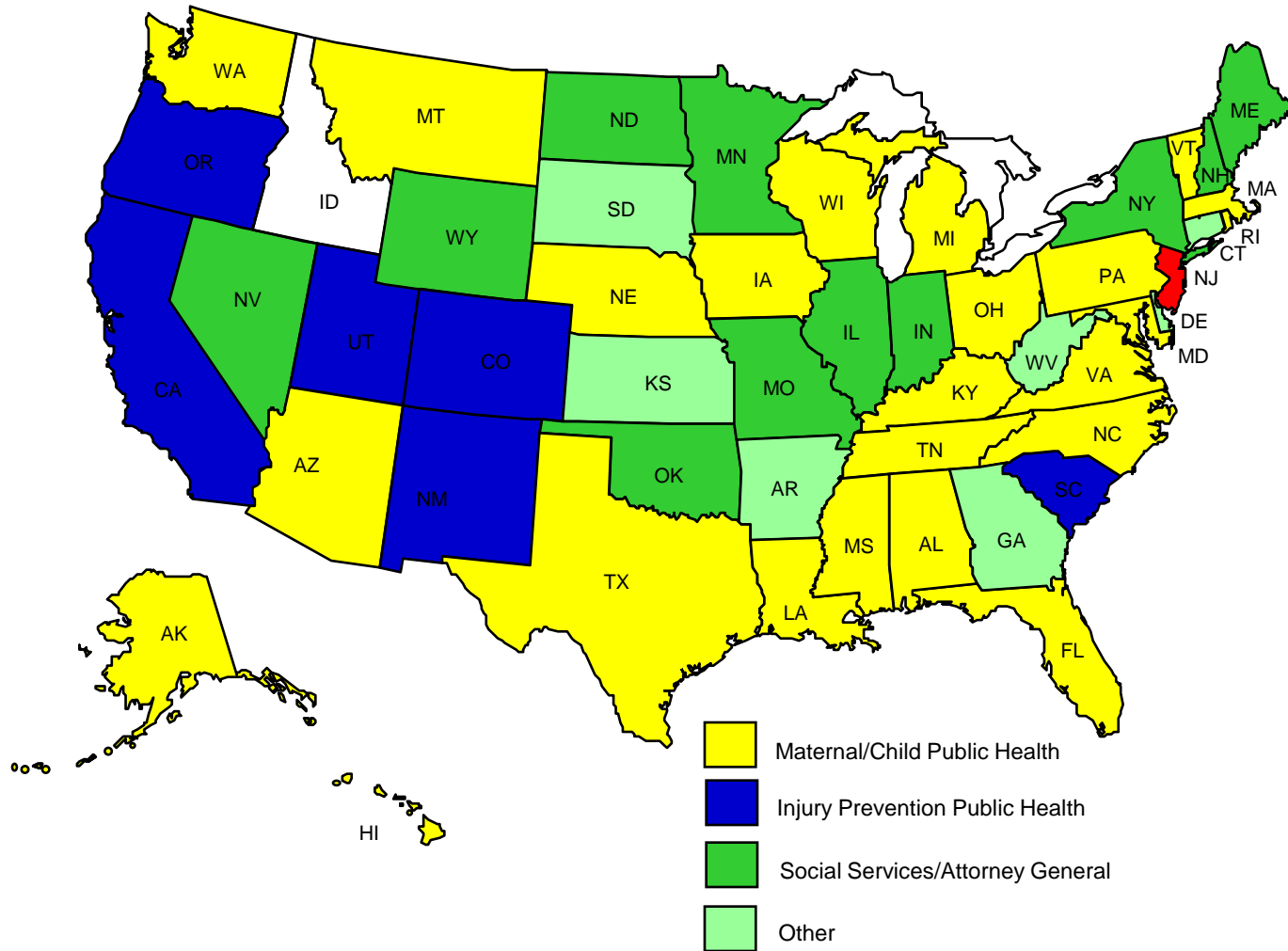


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- **49 of 50 states have well established CDR programs.**
- **State laws mandate/support CDR in 41 states.**
- **23 based in State Health Departments.**
- **37 states have community teams & state boards.**
- **Teams strive for multidisciplinary, culturally competent members.**
- **Half review all causes; all review to age 18.**
- **12 states review primarily child abuse.**
- **Vast majority focus on prevention.**
- **Most are funded with federal maternal and child health or child protection dollars.**

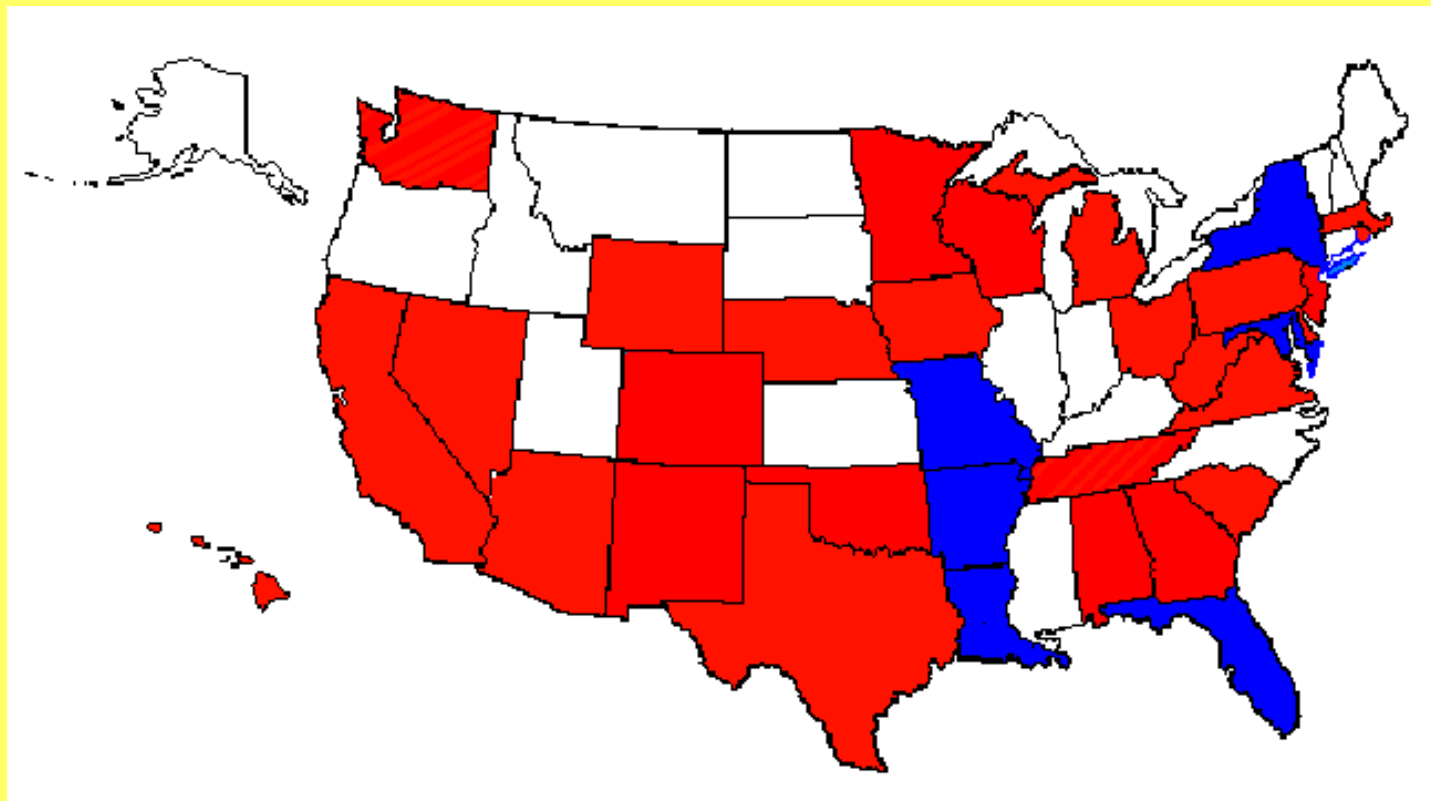
# Primary Agency Support for CDR





# The CDR Case Reporting System

May 2009



n=50,241  
cases



Participating



Considering



0 and Beyond





- **Translating good reviews into action and documenting our successes.**
- **Addressing Disparities**
- **Funding for Sustainable**
- **Expanding Partnerships**
- **Disseminating Data**