Alabama Child Death Review System State Team Meeting Minutes May 24, 2007

State Team Members Present:

Robert Brissie (Proxy-John Long)

Beverly Jordan Steve Lafreniere

Mike Millican (Proxy-Candyce DeKryuff)

Don Williamson (Proxy-Thomas Miller)

Gillis Payne

Linda Coleman (Proxy-Andra Sparks)

Cheryl Outland

Absent:

Frank DeGraffenreid

Steve Giddens Gerone Grant Jim Grigg

James Hayes Tara Johnson Tara Kyser

J R Sample Kenneth Snell Beth Twitty

Bobby Timmons Linda Tilly

Shirley Scanlan

Guests/Staff Present:

Dianne Sims Tirrell Martin Olivia Smith

James Durham Al Stone Sandy Powell Sharis LeMay Johnny Grant Sue Ashe Johnny Grant

Call to Order

On May 24, 2007 at 1:15 PM at the Alabama Industrial Development Training Center in Montgomery, Alabama, the Alabama Child Death Review System (ACDRS) State Team meeting was called to order. Tirrell Martin called the meeting to order and welcomed new members and guests.

New Members and Guests

Invited guests in attendance were: Mia Amaya, MPH, M.D.

Guest Speaker

Dr. Mia Amaya with the Shaken Baby Syndrome Prevention Program at UAB, sponsored by ACDRS, came to speak with the team about the progress of the program. She discussed the tools the program uses to spread the word about preventing shaken baby syndrome. She also spoke of the importance of spreading the program to other hospitals in Alabama.

Dr. Amaya provided the team with examples of the developmental tools that the program uses to educate program participants about shaken baby syndrome.

Unfinished Business:

Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes for the February 2006, May 2006, August 2006, November 2006, and February 2007 meetings could not be approved because there was not a quorum present.

State Team Membership Update

Mr. Martin announced that there are three new vacancies on the State Team. This brings the total number of vacancies to six. The Governor will be asked to fill these vacancies as soon as possible.

Status of Cases Report/Comparison

Mr. Martin reported that the 2004 case review process was complete. He also reminded the team that 100% of the teams have been formed, but there is still not 100% participation because the Covington County team has not met in 3 years.

New Business:

ACDRS Budget Issues

Mr. Martin discussed that the agreement with Medicaid and ACDRS was nearly complete. Medicaid will provide 50% matching funds on educational items for ACDRS. This will give ACDRS an additional \$56,000 to create educational materials for the program.

Open Discussion:

Mr. Martin announced that ACDRS is teaming with Injury Prevention and Adolescent Health to develop educational materials. The team provided additional suggestions to get this campaign underway.

Executive Session:

Without objection the Team agreed to move to Executive Session. Upon completing discussions on several topics the team agreed to return to Open Session.

Next Meeting Scheduled

Our next regularly scheduled ACDRS State Team meeting is tentatively scheduled for August 30, 2007. Location and time TBD.

Adjournment

There being no further items on the agenda and no further discussion requested, without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

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