



## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

### **Who Does the Review on Out of County Deaths?**

Fetal, Infant, Child, & Maternal Mortality Review & Prevention Team (FICMMR)

For all deaths: Fetal, Infant, and Child

Medical deaths are reviewed by the County of Residence.

Intentional or accidental deaths are reviewed where the death occurred, County of Death.

Exception to above:

If an intentional or accidental injury occurred in the County of Residence, but person was transported out of county to a larger hospital and died in that county, the County of Residence is responsible for conducting the review. The incident that led to the death occurred in the County of Residence and for prevention purposes, they are in the best position to review the case.

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When a MT Resident Dies in a Different State:

When a resident of your county dies out of state you are not required to conduct a mortality review but are permitted to conduct a mortality review if the demise was a result of an accidental or intentional injury which occurred in Montana or it is thought that the demise may be preventable.

Residents from Other States Who Die in Your County:

No review required. FICMMR only reviews the deaths of Montana residents.

Final Points:

- ✓ The county not doing the review is still expected to assist if needed. For example, help provide background information on decedent, family and access to records if this becomes a barrier for the reviewing team.
- ✓ Other circumstances will undoubtedly arise. Work it out between yourselves, if stuck then contact the State FICMMR Coordinator.