

FETAL INFANT MORTALITY REVIEW (FIMR)

Case Review Team Overview



What is the FIMR Case Review Team?

Since 2011, Madison and Dane County has had a Fetal Infant Mortality Review (FIMR) program, which includes a case review team (CRT). This team reviews and discusses the de-identified medical and public health records of moms who have experienced a stillbirth (>20 weeks old or a birth weight of 350 grams) or who have lost a baby less than a year old. The purpose of the review is to find ways to prevent future deaths by improving services, better supporting families, and reducing inequities. Public Health Madison & Dane County (PHMDC) is responsible for organizing meetings and abstracting the case review data for review.



Who is involved in the Case Review Team?

- Physicians, nurses, and other clinic staff
- Doulas, midwives, and lactation consultants
- Public health staff
- Social workers
- Health insurance advocates
- Staff from Maternal and Child Health (MCH) related organizations
- Community members



What are the benefits of the Case Review Team?

- Regular case review **creates a sense of urgency and importance** around fetal and infant death in Dane County, and helps keep stakeholders engaged and thinking about the issue.
- The case review team **brings representatives from many sectors together** around a shared priority. People make connections and form partnerships through the CRT.
- Case discussion creates a **foundation for action**. Themes and recommendations from the group can be used to support and drive action around fetal and infant mortality.