

Priority Variables: Infant Deaths

Note: This list contains variables that primarily come from the birth certificate, death certificate, autopsy report and ME investigation report (n=45).

Variable	Question
Section A1	
A2	Date of birth
A3	Date of death
A5	Race (death certificate)
A13	Child had disability or chronic illness?
A15	Child's health insurance
A23	Open CPS case at time of death?
Section A3	
A35	Gestational age
A36	Birth weight
A41	Prenatal care provided during pregnancy?
A45	Did the mother use any medications, drugs or other substances during pregnancy?
A46	Was the infant born drug exposed?
A47	Did the infant have neonatal abstinence syndrome?
A56	Was infant ever breastfed?
A57	Abnormal newborn screening results?
A63	What did infant have for his/her last meal?
Section C – responses may be in Section B is biological parent is also caregiver	
C2	Caregiver age
C8	Caregiver's highest education level attained
Section D	
D16	At time of incident, was supervisor impaired?
Section E	
E3	Place of incident
E12	Child's activity at time of incident
Section F	
F1	Was a death investigation conducted?
F4	Autopsy performed?
F5	Any X-ray or other imaging
F6	Cultures for infectious disease
	Microscopic or histologic exam
	Postmortem metabolic screen
	Genetic testing
F7	Toxicology
F12	Was a death scene investigation conducted at the place of the incident?
	SUIDIRF or equivalent?
	Scene photos?
	Scene photos shared with team?
	Scene recreations with doll?

Section G	
G2a	Immediate cause of death from death certificate?
G5	Official manner of death
G6	Primary cause of death
Section I2	
I2	Was death related to sleeping or sleep environment?
I2a	Incident sleep place
I2b	(Position) child put to sleep
I2c	(Position) child found
I2f	Was there any type of crib, Pack 'n Play, bassinet, bed side sleeper or baby box in home for child?
I2h	Child last placed to sleep with pacifier?
I2j	Child overheated?
I2k	Child exposed to second hand smoke?
I2l	(Position) child face when found
I2n	Child's airway (obstruction)
I2o	Objects in sleep environment?
	Indicate position of objects and whether they obstructed the child's airway
I2q	Child sleeping in same room as caregiver/supervisor at time of death/incident?
I2r	Child sleeping on same surface with person or animal?
I2s	Scene recreation photo available for upload?
Section N	
N10	Categorization for SUID Case Registry
Section O	
O1	Inclusion of narrative which briefly summarizes the case