



SERIOUS INCIDENT OR CHILD DEATH
 (a) A child dies or is seriously harmed in the local authority area
 or
 (b) while normally resident in the local authority's area, the child dies or is seriously harmed outside England

Child Death Review Team Notification
 Sent to respective leads in each Borough i.e. Designated Child death doctor and Nurse and CDOP chair and MASH
(usually within 2 hours following receipt of the notification Mon-Fri 9-5. If a notification is received over the weekend or a bank holiday it will be processed the next working day)

Referral to MASH
MASH assessment

MASH notifies the Senior AD in CSC who will inform the three safeguarding partners and the GSCP Business Unit (within 1 working day)
 This is where the threshold for a Serious Safeguarding Incident has been met
 The local authority must also notify the Secretary of State and Ofsted where a looked after child has died, whether or not abuse or neglect is known or suspected

JOINT AGENCY REVIEW
 Designated Paediatrician confirms requirement for a JAR within 48 hours of notification of child death.
JAR is usually convened within 5 working days of the death
 A coordinated multi-agency response led by health (involving relevant partners, DCU Safeguarding Detective Inspector (police), the Consultant Paediatrician Childrens and Adult's social care other health services such as CAMHS if required)
 This response is triggered if a child's death:
 - is or could be due to external causes;
 - is sudden and there is no immediately apparent cause (including SUDI/C);
 - occurs in custody, or where the child was detained under the Mental Health Act;
 - where the initial circumstances raise any suspicions that the death may not have been natural; or
 - in the case of a stillbirth where no healthcare professional was in attendance
 For full JAR process map visit page 20: Sudden-unexpected-death-in-infancy-and-childhood-2e.pdf (rcpath.org)

Decision by Safeguarding Partners (within 5 working days)
 The Safeguarding Partners determine whether the criteria has been met and if so, the National National Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel is notified.
 If the criteria is not Safeguarding Partners to determine whether other learning is needed.
 If there is disagreement about the outcome, the Independent Chair or Scrutineer for the partnership can be asked to mediate.

Notification to the national Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel
 Senior Assistant Director will send a formal notification to the national Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel (National Panel).

GSCP convenes a Rapid Review
 Once it is known that a case is being referred to the national Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel, the safeguarding partners are required to undertake a Rapid Review of the case.
 The Rapid Review must be completed within the timescales outlined in guidance from the national Panel (currently 15 working days of becoming aware of the incident).
 A date is set for the Rapid Review meeting and a letter and initial scoping document is sent to all

Rapid Review Meeting (takes place within 15 days of the incident)
 Rapid Review meeting held to:
 - Review the facts about the case presented in the documentation
 - Agree any immediate action
 - Consider the case against the criteria for child safeguarding practice reviews
 - Decide whether a practice review or other learning activity should take place
 - Complete the Report of Rapid Review Discussions and Decision Making and agree the recommendation
 There is an expectation that all agencies will ensure that a senior representative who has not had direct involvement in the case will be present at the Rapid Review meeting.

Child Death Review Meeting
 Convened by the hospital where the child died to review the clinical care of the child by the professionals who delivered the care. It is usually held once the cause of death is known and prior to a Coroner's inquest.
 Statutory guidance suggests this should be within 3 months of the incident

Sharing the Outcome of the Rapid Review
 Within 2 working days of the Rapid Review meeting, the lead representatives for the three safeguarding partners should approve the recommendations of the Rapid Review Meeting.
 If there is disagreement about the outcome, the independent chair/scrutineer can be asked to mediate.
 The completed report of Rapid Review Decision and Recommendations for Submission to the national Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel together with a covering letter (Appendices iv and v) to the Panel submitted to the national Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel.
 (Mailbox.NationalReviewPanel@education.gov.uk)
 Agencies are informed of the outcome of the Rapid Review. Individual agencies are responsible for notifying their own inspectorate bodies as required.

National Child Safeguarding Practice Panel Response
 Confirmation of whether the panel is in agreement with recommendation. The national Panel does not have the power to require the safeguarding partners to undertake a local child safeguarding practice review.
 within 15 working days of receipt of the Rapid Review.

Local Learning Review
 GSCP Business Unit will work with partners to coordinate a local review, including recommendations and communications. This includes:
 - Preparing the terms of reference including proposed methodology
 - Commissioning an Independent Chair and any Independent Reviewer
 - Ensuring that the work is completed within six months
 - Publishing any completed reviews