

2009 Granville County Child Fatality Prevention Team Report

The Granville Child Fatality Prevention Team (CFPT) quarterly reviews child deaths (0-17 yrs old) that have occurred in the previous year. The Child Fatality Prevention Team and the Community Child Protection Team meet jointly to review the child deaths. The goal is to determine if any deficiencies occurred in service delivery that may have contributed to a child's death. By doing so, we can use this information to change service delivery as needed.

2008 deaths include:

- 1-17 year old with gunshot wound to the abdomen
- 1- 8 ½ month old due to asphyxiation in bed linens
- 1- 21 month old due to drug poisoning
- 2- prematurity; 1-3 days old and 1-5 days old
- 2- head trauma due to accidents; 1-16 years old and 1-15 months old
- 1- 13 year old due to self-inflicted gunshot wound

2007 Total child deaths- 8

2006 Total child deaths- 9

2005 Total child deaths- 4

2004 Total child deaths- 9

No deficiencies were found in service delivery. Team recommendations included:

Continue offering education about Shaken Baby Syndrome, SIDS, safe sleeping environment, early prenatal care, use of folic acid, smoking and drug use in pregnancy, proper infant/child safety restraint, as well as bike helmet use and gun safety.

The Granville County Health Department provides classes for pregnant women and parents about prenatal and infant care. The Safe Kids Team meets monthly and provides "car seat checks" periodically throughout the county at different sites. New car/booster seats are available for a small donation. Safe Kids and the Creedmoor Police Department sponsor Bike Rodeos each spring to promote bike safety and helmet use. Safe Kids can provide a new bike helmet to those needing one. The Sheriff's Department has gun locks available for needed homes. The Fire Departments can help with Smoke Alarms if needed.