



**Baltimore County  
Child Death Review Team**

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Dear Department Chair:

The Baltimore County Child Fatality Review Team reviews all unexpected child deaths in Baltimore County. The team recently reviewed the case of an infant that was born at <Hospital Name>. The cause of death was <Cause of Death> as determined by the Office of the Medical Examiner. An investigation revealed that the infant had been placed to sleep in an unsafe sleep environment.

Healthcare staff of birth hospitals serve as a powerful influence to new parents and families for modeling safe sleep practices and in educating parents and families regarding risk reduction. It is critically important that all parents and caregivers receive counseling and education regarding safe sleep before discharge from the hospital and at other times when receiving ongoing health care services. We are aware that the <Hospital Name> is committed to providing appropriate care and safety information to all patients. Please share this letter with your staff to reiterate the importance of safe sleep.

If you have any questions or would like to obtain literature for parents concerning recommendations for infant sleep safety, please contact <CFR Coordinator>.

Thank you for your continued partnership in efforts to reduce preventable infant deaths in Baltimore.

Sincerely,

Chair, Baltimore County Child Fatality Review Team

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