

# Child Fatality Review Team (CFRT): *Brief Synthesis*

## OVERVIEW

NATIONAL CENTER PROVIDES TRAINING AND SUPPORT TO **CFRT**



**CFRT** AIM TO FIND OUT WHY AND HOW CHILDREN <18 DIE



## FINDINGS



**SUFFOCATION** IS THE LEADING CAUSE OF INFANT DEATH IN THE U.S.

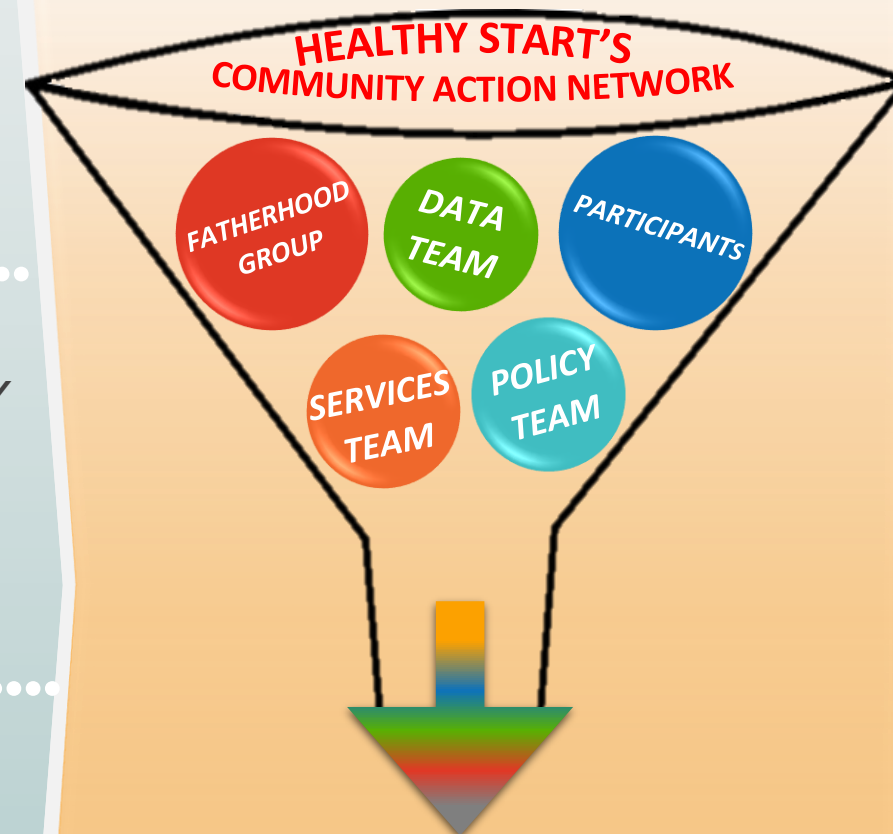
**CFRT** FOR TARRANT, HARRIS, AND DALLAS COUNTY REPORTED THAT THE **#1 CAUSE OF DEATH AMONG CHILDREN IS SLEEP-RELATED**

**34%** OF ALL BLACK CHILD DEATHS ARE SLEEP-RELATED



**SLEEP-RELATED** INFANT DEATH RATES ARE MORE THAN DOUBLE FOR BLACK INFANTS THAN WHITE INFANTS IN HARRIS COUNTY

## RECOMMENDATIONS



IMPLEMENT PROVEN AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS AND INITIATIVES

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