

**FIRST RESPONDERS AND
ADVOCATES**

A UNIFIED APPROACH

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AGENDA

Safety Management among first responders

On-Scene Communication

Education and resource discussion for families and witnesses

Victim services

Resources

**S A F E T Y
M A N A G E M E N T
A M O N G F I R S T
R E S P O N D E R S**

**O P I O I D
O V E R D O S E
T R E A T M E N T A N D
P R E V E N T I O N**

Follow general treatment protocols

Pediatric Patients under the age of 14

Respiratory depression and treatment goals

For patients with signs and symptoms OR reporting opioid withdrawal

For patients who have naloxone administered and refuse transportation

Leave behind naloxone

**SAFETY
MANAGEMENT
AMONG FIRST
RESPONDERS
CONTINUED**



Dead on Scene Criteria - CPR should not be initiated in the following cardiac arrest patients



Exceptions to Dead on Scene Criteria in which CPR should be initiated



For all other patients follow specific protocols



Termination of Resuscitation if ROSC is NOT achieved

MEDICAL EXAMINER NOTIFICATION AND LAW ENFORCEMENT COLLABORATION

Out of hospital death – Notification of
Medical Examiner



Management, Handling, and
Movement of Body



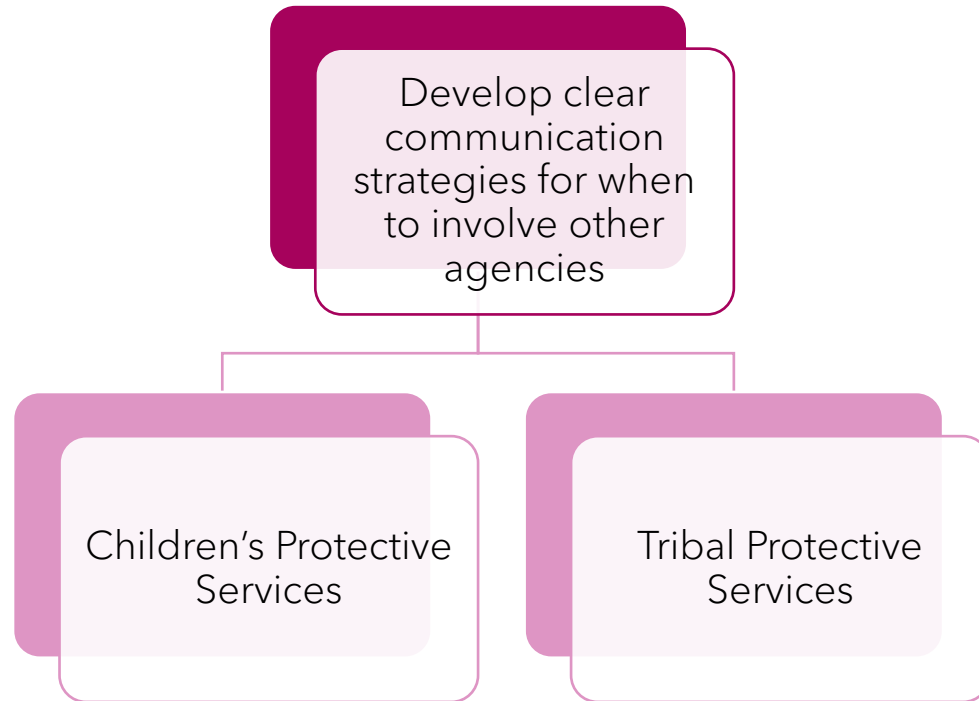
Next steps – assure law enforcement
agency has been notified

NAVIGATING ON-SCENE COMMUNICATION

- Consistency is important across all responding agencies
- Strengthen coordination and collaboration between all agencies for a more unified approach



CLEAR COMMUNICATION



EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

Effective communication with family members including:

- The process
- Timeline of events
- Next steps

EDUCATION AND RESOURCES FOR FAMILY AND WITNESSES

- Provide leave-behind resources critical for families and witnesses addressing what families can expect, next steps, and connections to social services and grief counselors
- Promote understanding and compassion for all parties impacted by the overdose. Empathy helps establish trust and builds rapport with families at the scene



VICTIM SERVICES

- Clarification on how social services can interview to support families during the scene response and in the aftermath
- Raise awareness about the emotional responses that might be expected from individuals on scene
- Provide strategies for managing and responding to these reactions empathetically



A unified approach between all responding agencies is key to a successful and flowing scene

Going with this approach not only helps each agency complete their role, but also helps families and witnesses process the trauma they have just experienced

This approach also helps the family and witnesses in the following days feel supported

CONCLUSION

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Handle with Care MDHHS

<https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/adult-child-serv/childrenfamilies/tts/handle-with-care>

Michigan Resources for Grieving Families

https://www.michigan.gov/-/media/Project/Websites/mdhhs/Folder4/Folder22/Folder3/Folder122/Folder2/Folder222/Folder1/Folder322/Michigan_Resources_for_Grieving_Families.pdf?rev=f6dae7ffa12c42f49d808490ae146419

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<https://mi211.org/grief>

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