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Child Death Reviews in 2022: Autumn Updates

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****Presentation will start at 12.05 to allow participants time to join****

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National Child Mortality Database

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What will this webinar cover?

- NCMD Update
- Field updates for the system and statutory forms
- Update on integration with PMRT
- Regional CDOP reports
- NCMD presence at the upcoming ACDRP Conference





NCMD Update

- UKHSA have advised that Group A Strep Infections are increasing and we are working with them to look into this.
- Awaiting approval for two new topics for our next thematic reports. These are likely to be on Trauma and Infection. Please prioritise finalising any cases you have for these two groups prior to 31 March 2023
- Projected publication date for SUDIC thematic report is 8th December 2022
- Projected publication date for CDR data release is 10th November 2022. This will include data to 31 March 2022.
- Link to a new [video resource](#) to send out with reporting form requests

NEW: Contributory Factors Drop Down Boxes

- Significant update has been made to the system which will ask you to allocate a group and a sub-group for each factor recorded on the analysis form
- Developed by our late colleague and friend Maria Marquez based on the most frequently recorded factors by CDOPs
- Partially based on the old Form C boxes, but updated, expanded and improved



Maria Marquez

Why has this change been introduced?

- To reduce the variability with which CDOPs complete the analysis form
- To support all CDOPs to record the same factor in the same place on the form (e.g. in the same domain)
- To reduce the different spelling / abbreviations used to describe the same thing e.g. Twin to Twin Transfusion Syndrome / TTTS
- To stop the recording of multiple factors in the same line / box
- This will improve data quality for CDOP annual reports and NCMD analysis and will make national analysis easier and quicker
- It will also enable CDOPs to more reliably compare their data on factors to national data.
- The factors will be available in the CDOP data extract to help with local analysis

What do we want you to do?

- When a death is reviewed, for each factor recorded on the analysis form, select a value from each of two dropdown lists
- Once you have selected a value from each, you can record any additional information in the free text box as normal
- The lists are not exhaustive but do cover the factors most commonly recorded by CDOPs
- For each group and sub-group there is an "Other" option if none of the alternatives fit for the factor you have identified
- Further guidance can be found [here](#)



Which cases will these changes apply to?

- The changes will be available in eCDOP for any case where the CDR meeting and analysis form do not yet exist in eCDOP as at 14th October 2022
- This will mean that there will be an initial period where CDOP review meetings might include some cases without the new changes and some with the new changes applied
- In the NCMD portal, the new groups and sub-groups will be available on all ongoing cases



How this looks online

Domain A

Group:

Details:

Relevance:

Modifiable:

Subgroup:

[+ Add another Domain A factor +](#)

Domain B

Group:

Details:

Relevance:

Modifiable:

Subgroup:

[+ Add another Domain B factor +](#)

Domain C

Group:

Details:

Relevance:

Modifiable:

Subgroup:

[+ Add another Domain C factor +](#)

Domain D

Group:

Details:

Relevance:

Modifiable:

Subgroup:

[+ Add another Domain D factor +](#)

How this looks in the paper forms

Domain A: Factors intrinsic to the child. Please list factors in the child (and in neonatal deaths, in the pregnancy). Consider factors relating to the child's age, <u>gender</u> and ethnicity; any pre-existing medical conditions, developmental or behavioural issues or disability, and for neonatal deaths, the mother's health and wellbeing.				
			CDOP affirmation	
Factor	Relevance (0-2)	Is this factor deemed to be modifiable?	Relevance (0-2)	Is this factor deemed by CDOP to be modifiable?
Group:		Subgroup:		
Details:				
Group:		Subgroup:		
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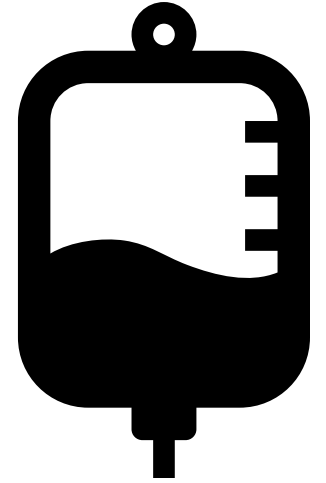
Domain A Example

Group:

Child's Health History / Medical Conditions

Sub-groups:

- Prematurity
- Low birth weight
- Bottle fed
- Breast fed
- Acute/sudden onset illness
- Chronic health condition
- Malignancy / cancer
- Congenital / genetic / chromosomal condition
- Child not fully immunised (regardless of reason)



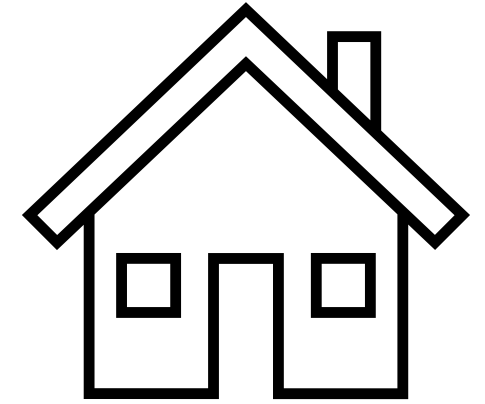
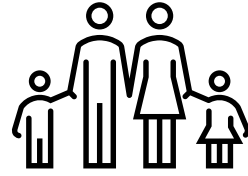
Domain B Example

Group:

Social Care

Sub Groups:

- Child on child protection plan at the time of death
- Child on child in need plan at the time of death
- Child was a looked after child at the time of death
- Child was previously known, but not an open case
- Child was a refugee / asylum seeker
- Parent / carer was a care leaver
- Other social care factors



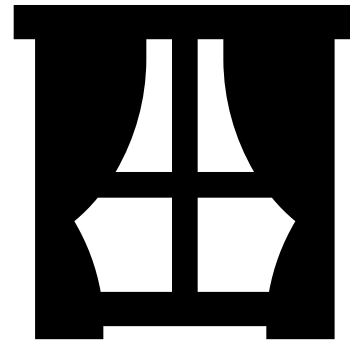
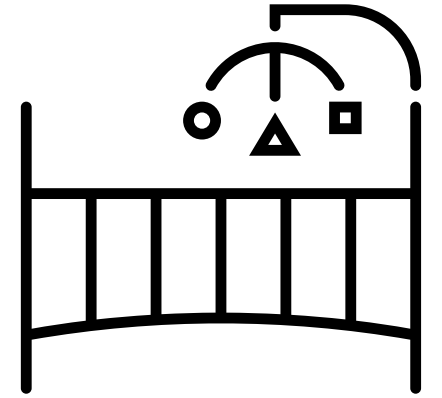
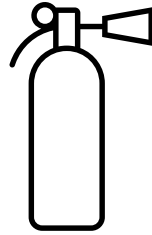
Domain C Example

Group:

Home safety / conditions

Sub Groups:

- Overcrowded living conditions
- Dirty, mouldy or property in poor repair
- Unsafe appliances / environment
- Attack by pets / animal
- Living environment deprivation / homelessness



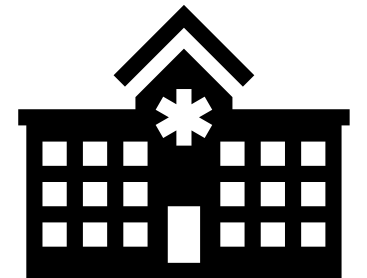
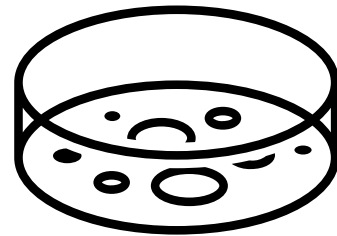
Domain D Example

Group:

Initiation of treatment / identification of illness

Sub Groups:

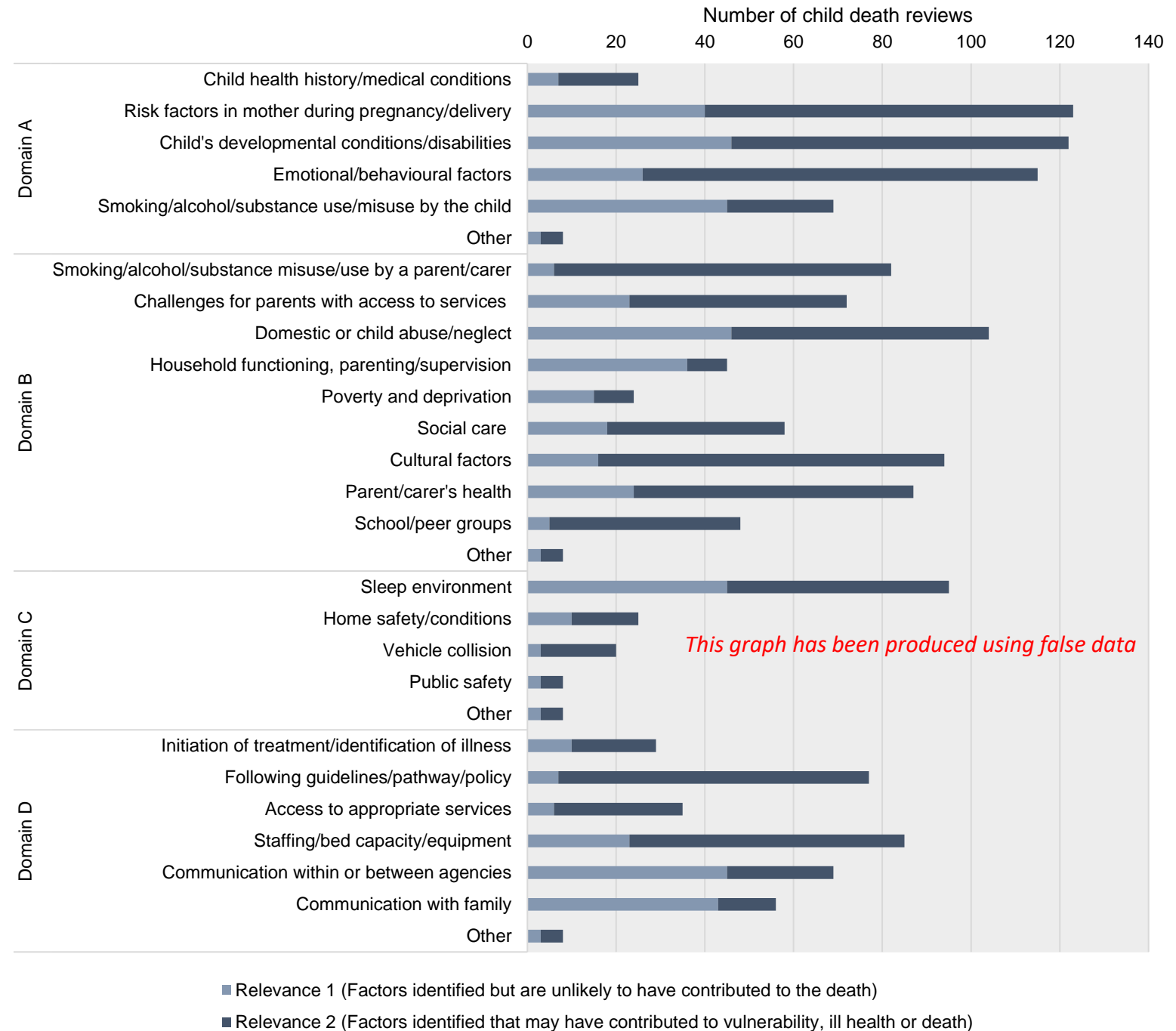
- Issue in diagnosis
- Issue with availability of information
- Issue with treatment (including delays)
- Lack of recognition of deteriorating child / clinical symptoms or signs
- Lack of escalation for senior review



Output Example 1

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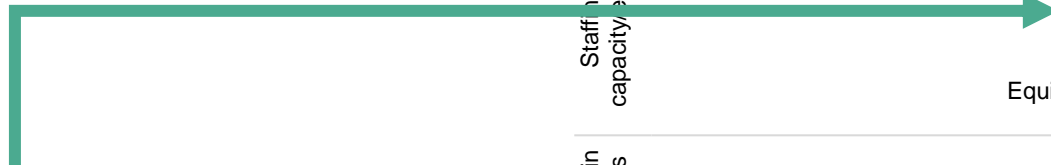
- Enable us to see a breakdown of factors by group for each domain, and by relevance, for all child deaths.
- This could also be presented for a specific category of death, or age group for further insights.
- In addition, we will be able to use these factors to easily identify a sub-set of cases for a more in-depth and thematic analysis of free text.



Output Example 2

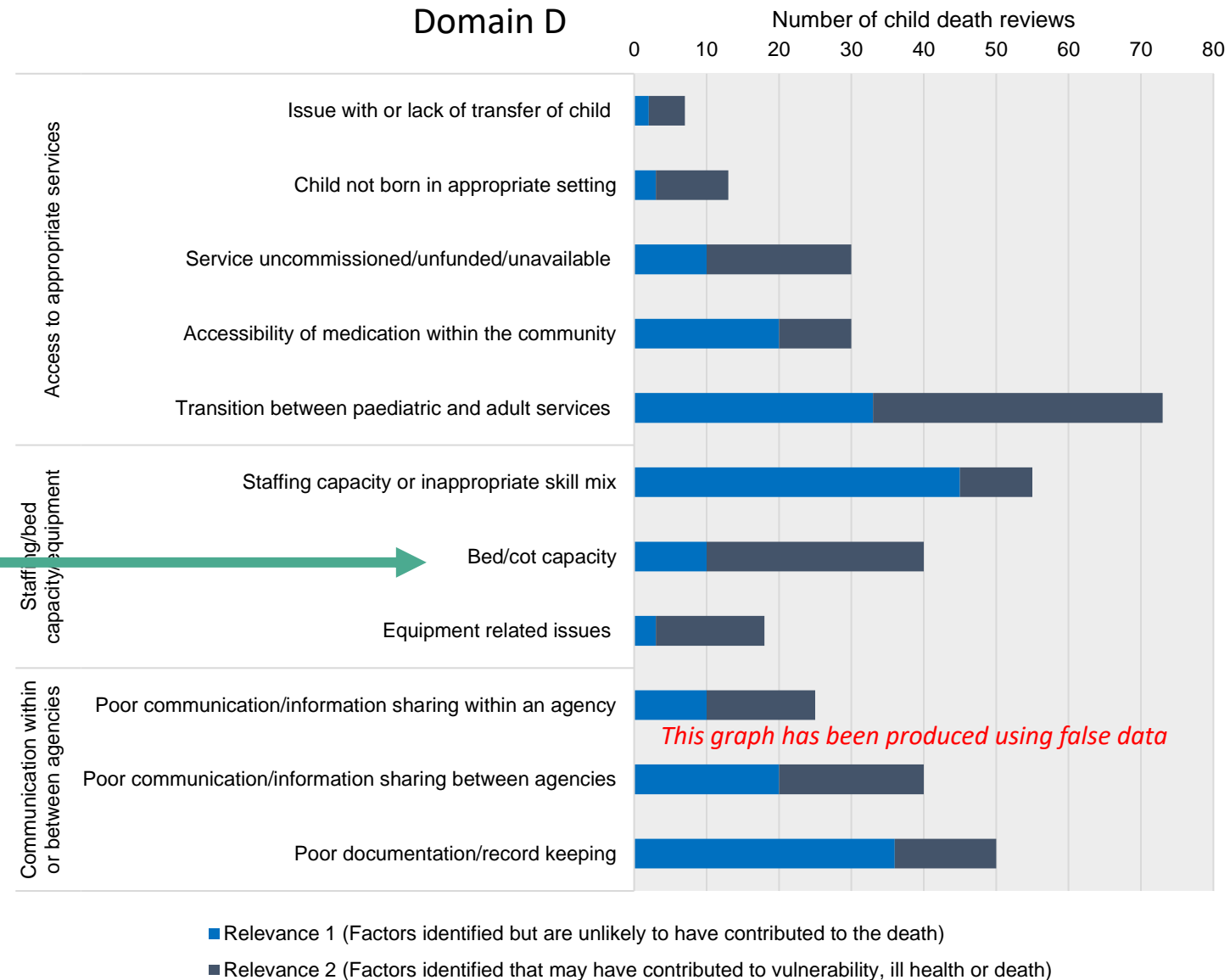
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- Also will enable us to see a more detailed breakdown of all factors within a specific domain



- For example, in 40 reviews CDOPs recorded bed or cot capacity as a factor in the child's death, and in 30 of these, CDOPs thought that this may have contributed to vulnerability, ill health or death.

This statement is false and is for demonstration purposes only





Updates to the Notification Form

1. The question "Did this child have a learning disability?" has been moved to the notification form. A rule has been applied so it will only appear for children aged 4 or over.
2. For the question "Was the child known to be a smoker?" A rule has been applied so this will now only appear for children aged 10 and over.
3. Child's gender has now been changed to child's sex



Updates to Reporting Forms

- 1. Core reporting form:** Change to the wording of the question "Was this child known to CAMHS?". This now reads "Was this child known to mental health services? (child and adolescent or adult mental health services)"
- 2. Suicide supplementary form:** Change to the wording of the question "What was the gender of the child registered at birth?". This now reads "What was the sex of the child registered at birth?"

Updates to the Analysis Form

1. Biggest change to the analysis form is the introduction of the contributory factor drop-down boxes
2. Added a validation rule to the CDRM date and the CDOP meeting date fields so they both have to be after the date of death
3. Added a further validation rule to the CDOP meeting date field so that this date has to either be the same as or later than the CDRM date



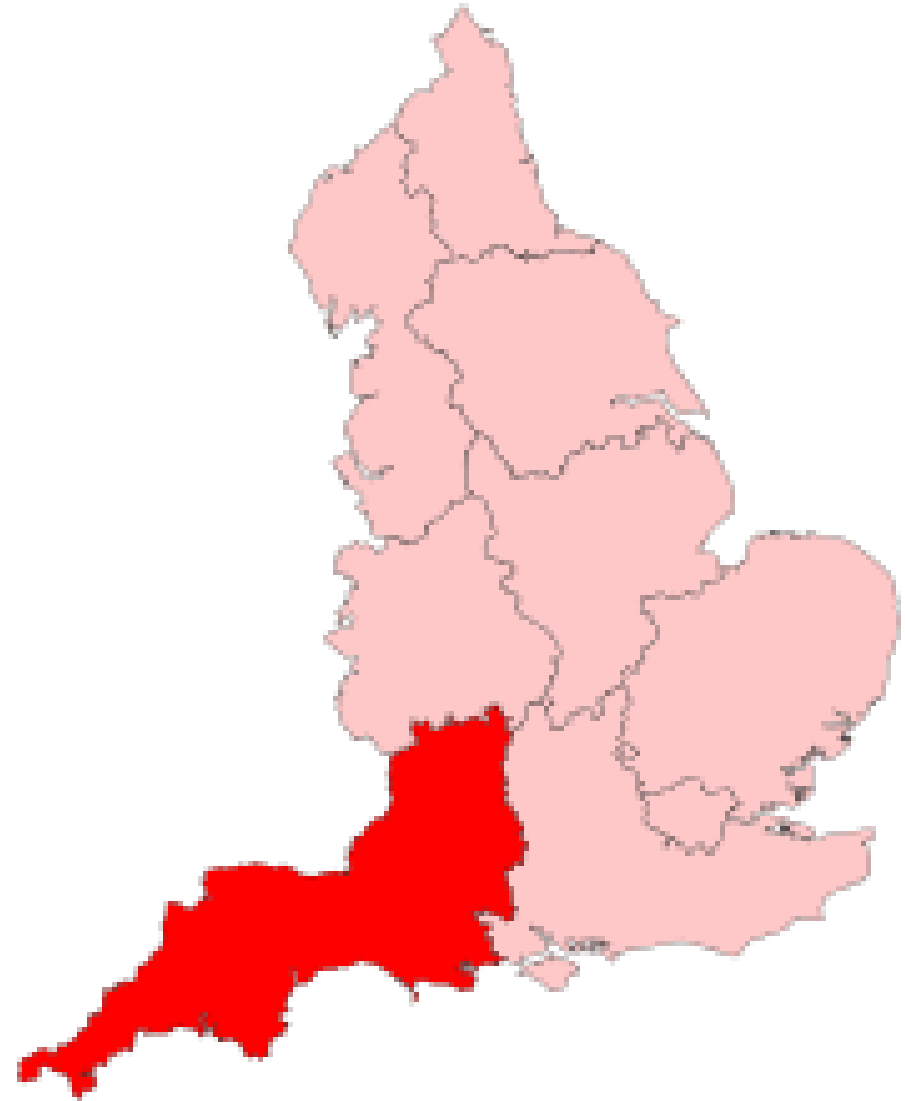


Integration of NCMD portal and eCDOP with PMRT

- Phase 1 of the roll out started on 4th July 2022
- A small number of trusts and CDOPs are involved
- The first notifications from trusts to CDOPs have successfully come through the system
- As of the end of September 2022, the first full cases have started to come through the system
- Now entering a period of feedback from those involved in phase 1 which will inform when we can start phase 2

Regional CDOP Reports

- In collaboration with the East of England CDOPs we are in the process of developing regional CDOP reports
- The content of the report is still being finalised but it is expected to include 3 years worth of data as well as benchmarking and death rates for the region overall using population and live birth figures
- We hope to be in a position to contact CDOPs about these reports with more information on how to receive one in November to tie in with the next CDR data release



Association of Child Death Review Professionals (ACDRP) Conference

Thursday 24th November 2022 in Birmingham

Professor Peter Fleming will be talking about the findings of the upcoming SUDIC thematic report

Vicky Sleaf will be running a workshop on how to complete a good analysis form

NCMD will have a stand at the event with most of the team attending

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/association-of-child-death-review-professionals-conference-tickets-418747042677>



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