



**California HOPE for Children
Program Advisory Workgroup**



Topic:
**Identifying and
Empowering
Children Impacted by
COVID-19 Loss**

**WEDNESDAY
JULY 12, 2023
8:30am - 3:30pm**

Location:
**UCLA
502 Portola Plaza
Los Angeles, CA 90095**
Room: 1531 Pritzker Hall

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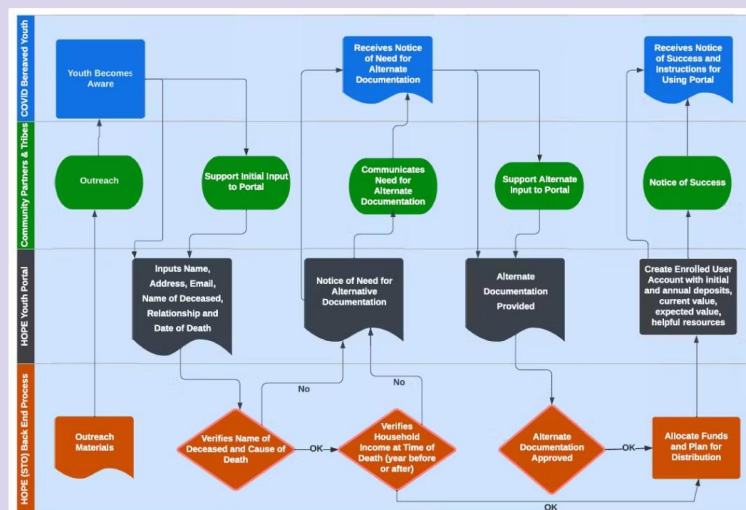


Agenda

- Call to Order and Roll Call (Please state your organization when called)
- Welcome and Introductory Comments
- Review of Agenda
- Review of Eligibility Requirements
- Discussion of Data Sources
- Lunch
- Discussion of Portal for Reducing the Burden of Proof
- Discussion of Methods of Estimating Past and Annual Numbers of Eligible Children
- General public comment
- Closing Comments and adjournment



Item 4: Review of Eligibility Requirements



Steps to Enroll COVID Bereaved Children





Item 5: Discussion of Data Sources for Identification of Eligible CA Children Who Lost Parents or Primary Caregivers Due to COVID-19

- Opportunities to work with the CA Department of Vital Records to identify COVID-19 deaths and cross reference birth records
- Opportunities to CA vital records to identify zip codes of excessive death and reach out to local funeral homes and other potential partners
- Opportunities to utilize hospitalization records to determine in hospital deaths with COVID-19 as the primary diagnosis next of kin notification
- Opportunities to determine if 911 calls for transport that were labelled as COVID-19 related have any information that they are allowed to share
- Opportunities to partner with FEMA and determine if data can be shared of those who filed for funeral reimbursements.
- Partnering with labor organizations in CA occupation associated excess COVID-19 deaths to identify next of kin
- Opportunities to access the State of California Medi-Cal records to identify survivors
- Opportunities to use Social Security Administration data for COVID-19 related survivorship benefits



Item 7: Discussion of Portal for Reducing Burden of Proof of Eligibility and Verification of COVID-19 Loss

- Can a portal for reducing burden of proof of eligibility and verification of COVID-19 loss be developed
- Can each of the agencies receive a blanket request/release for information?
- Can agencies deposit information in a portal that belongs to the State of CA?
- Can the portal contain the request/release needed for each agency if separate requests are needed?
- Can the portal serve as a one-stop application portal? Who is allowed to serve as a proxy, have access etc.?
- Opportunities to use CA databases to verify the identity of people named by members of the public as likely eligible
- Opportunities to partner with organizations that support COVID-19 community-based outreach and other children's organizations



Item 8: Discussion of Methods for Estimating Past and Annual Numbers of CA Children Who Lost Parents or Primary Caregivers Due to COVID-19



Item 9: General Public Comment



Item 10: Closing comments and adjournment