

Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce the next session of Public Health Grand Rounds, **“Safe Sleep for Infants,”** which will be held on Tuesday, October 23, 2018, at 1:00 p.m. (ET).

Each year about 3,500 babies in the United States die suddenly and unexpectedly before they reach their first birthday due to sleep-related deaths. These tragedies, called sudden unexpected infant death (SUID), often occur during sleep or in the baby’s sleep area, and include sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS), accidental suffocation and strangulation in bed, and other deaths from unknown causes.

There have been dramatic declines in sleep-related infant deaths since the 1990s, when recommendations and campaigns such as Back to Sleep (now known as Safe to Sleep®) were introduced to place infants on their backs for sleep. However, rates of SUIDs have remained relatively flat since 2001 and racial and ethnic disparities persist. Differences in how the causes of these deaths are reported limit our understanding and prevention efforts.

This session of Public Health Grand Rounds will discuss infant safe sleep recommendations, the need for standardized SUID investigation and reporting practices, and promising interventions.

**Public Health Grand Rounds Presents:
“Safe Sleep for Infants”**

Tuesday, October 23, 2018, from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. (ET)
Global Communications Center (Building 19, Roybal Campus)
Alexander D. Langmuir Auditorium

Presented By:

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“Trends in U.S. Sleep-related Infant Deaths”

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Chief Medical Examiner, Office of the Chief Medical Examiner
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“Death Investigations and Safe Sleep”

Eve Colson, MD, MHPE

Professor of Pediatrics and Associate Dean, Program Evaluation and CQI
Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, Missouri
“Behavior Change and Safe Infant Sleep”

Samuel Hanke MD, MS

Charlie’s Dad and President
Charlie’s Kids Foundation
Pediatric Cardiologist
Assistant Professor
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“From Pain to Purpose — Using Families’ Stories to Promote Safe Sleep Practices”

Facilitated By:

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For questions about this Grand Rounds topic:

Feel free to [e-mail](#) your questions before or during the session.

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Target audience: physicians, nurses, epidemiologists, pharmacists, veterinarians, certified health education specialists, laboratorians, and others.

Objectives:

1. List key measures of burden of disease involving morbidity, mortality, and/or cost.
2. Describe evidence-based preventive interventions and the status of their implementations.
3. Identify one key prevention science research gap.
4. Name one key indicator by which progress and meeting prevention goals is measured.

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Please feel free to share this with others who may be interested.

Warm Regards,

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