



# Practice Points

## Safe Sleep Practice

The purpose of this Practice Point is to provide reminder that all resource providers must sign the [Safe Sleep Practice form, CD-117](#). One in five Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) related deaths occur while a child is in the care of someone other than their parent. Often this is due to unaccustomed tummy sleeping. Infant fatalities involving unsafe sleep practices continue to occur in Missouri.

The Safe Sleep Practice form, CD-117, was introduced by memo [CD08-107](#). The memo states that the CD-117 is to be signed by **ALL** resource parents at licensure and at every re-licensure. This includes all relative or kinship providers, licensed or unlicensed. Staff must at a minimum provide a copy of the form to unlicensed providers if they choose not to sign the form.

Additional information regarding Safe Sleep can be reviewed at the [September 2008 Safety Tip of the Month](#) and at the [Children's Trust Fund](#) web site and their web [Brochure](#).