# Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) Awareness Month

2024 Planning Webinar

July 16, 2024

### SIDS Awareness Month 2024 Planning Webinar

## **Agenda**

Topic	Presenter
Welcome and Agenda Review	Christina Stile, Safe to Sleep®
Overview of 2024 SIDS Awareness Month Activities and Resources	Susie Johnson, Safe to Sleep®
Implementing and Adapting the #ClearTheCrib Challenge	Ann Schroeppel, Safe Kids Worldwide
Community Engagement for Safe Sleep	Alison Jacobson, First Candle
Empathy and Compassion in Safe Sleep Advocacy	Natasha Shull and Maura Hanke, Charlie's Kids
Questions and Answers	All

### **SIDS Awareness Month Is a Team Effort**

#### Planning Team Members:

- American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- Charlie's Kids Foundation
- Cribs for Kids<sup>®</sup>
- Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)
- First Candle
- Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
- Lorena Kaplan, civilian advocate
- Safe Kids Worldwide
- United States Breastfeeding Committee (USBC)

## Overview of 2024 SIDS Awareness Month Activities and Resources

**Susie Johnson** 

Safe to Sleep® Campaign



#### SIDS Awareness Month 2024

## **Goal and Objectives**

 Goal: Encourage health care and service providers to educate parents and caregivers about ways to reduce the risk of sleep-related death.

#### Objectives

- Equip intermediaries with educational resources for parents and caregivers.
- Drive engagement with Collaborator and partner digital content.



## **Digital Toolkit Overview**

- Social Media Content
- #ClearTheCrib Challenge Instructions
- How to Address Unsafe Sleep Images
- Partner Resources

#### **SIDS Awareness Month Toolkit**

October is Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) Awareness Month.

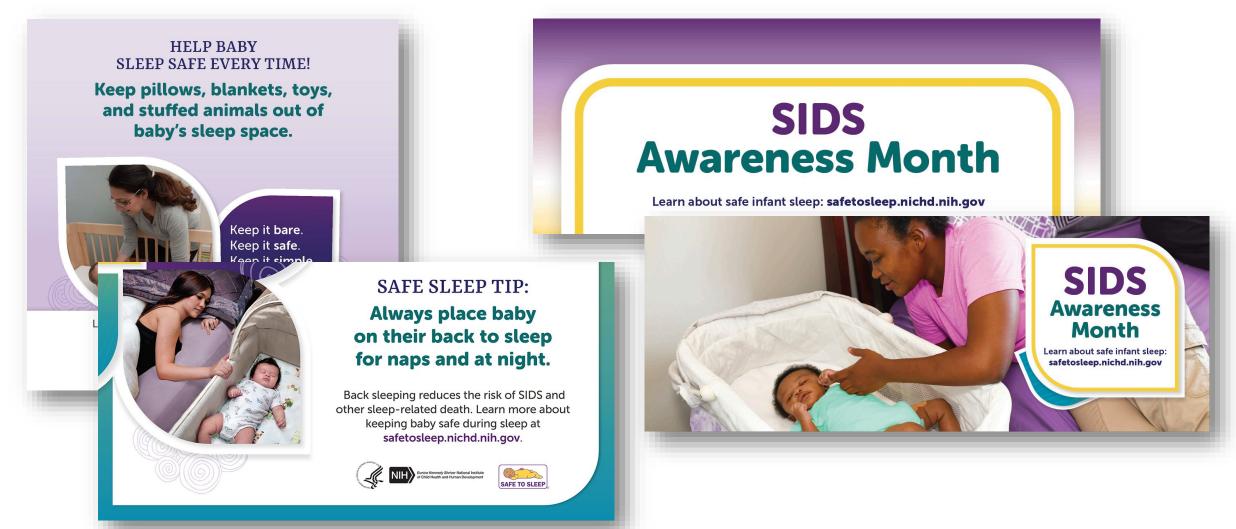
In October and beyond, infant caregivers and service and health care providers can join Safe to Sleep® and its partners to encourage safe infant sleep and help raise awareness about ways to reduce the risk of SIDS.



#### In This Toolkit

- Take the #ClearTheCrib Challenge
- Find Ready-Made Social Media Content for Your Pages
- Learn How to Address Unsafe Sleep Images
- Access Digital and Print Resources from Partners and Supporters

#### **Social Media Content**



https://safetosleep.nichd.nih.gov/resources/toolkit/social-media-content

## Spanish, French, and Arabic Materials

Printable booklets and handouts



https://safetosleep.nichd.nih.gov/resources/order

#ClearTheCrib Challenge







#CLEAR the CRIB

Challenge?





https://youtu.be/ZMmDAWyUxAE

## Safe Sleep Environment Handout

Use the Safe Sleep Environment handout to accompany the #ClearTheCrib challenge.

#### Available in:

- English
- Arabic
- French
- Spanish



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#### **Partner Resources**

- Social media graphics
- Short articles for newsletters
- Images
- Activity sheets
- Videos
- Flyers
- Smartphone apps



#### Clear the Crib!

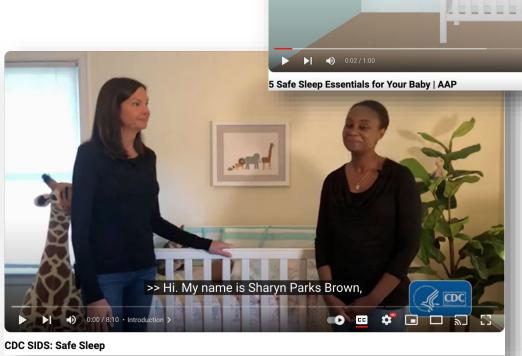
Do you know how to create a safe sleep zone for your baby? Put an "X" through the things that don't belong in the crib.



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Safe to Sleep® Instagram Reels

Share safe sleep Instagram reels from NICHD or create your own!

Follow NICHD on Instagram at <a href="mailto:onichd-nih">onichd nih</a>.



https://www.instagram.com/nichd\_nih/reels/

## **Ann Schroeppel**

Safe Kids Worldwide



## **How To Do The Challenge**

- 1. Set up the safety-approved sleep space.
- 2. Add up to 10 pieces of crib clutter and at least one of the acceptable item to the sleep area.
- 3. Review the game instructions.
- 4. Set a timer for 10 seconds.
- 5. Count the number of correct items.

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## **Challenge Materials**

- Safe Sleep Space (passes CPSC Standards)
- 10 pieces of crib clutter (next slide)
- Acceptable items for the sleep area:
  - Pacifier
  - Fitted sheet
  - Doll or another object to represent a baby (labeled "baby")
- Handouts
- Certificates
- Timekeeping Device



## #ClearTheCrib In Action Crib Clutter



- Baby wipes
- Bottle
- Pacifier with a string
- Soft/Stuffed toys
- Blanket
- Book

- Pillow
- Baby Lounger
- Extra diapers
- Extra clothes
- Position

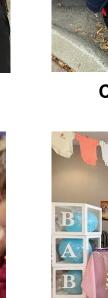
## **Event Opportunities**



**Babysitting Classes** 



**Parent Classes** 



In Schools



**Community Events** 



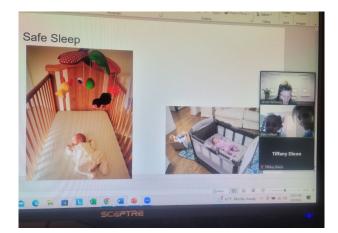
**Baby Showers** 



**Health & Safety Fairs** 



**Tabletop Displays** 



**Online Courses** 



## Gary on the Street: Clear the Crib Challenge



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# Community Engagement for Safe Sleep

**Alison Jacobson** 

First Candle



## **Community Engagement for Safe Sleep**



## **Everyone has a story.**



### Self-reflection is required.

Cultural awareness requires open, honest self-reflection. Understanding your lived experiences and beliefs. They play a huge role in how and why you think and act the way you do. It's important to own your own biases and ask yourself:

- Why do I believe what I believe?
- Where do these beliefs come from?
- How can I address them and move forward?

#### Things to consider:

- Do my materials, handouts, office decor and magazines reflect your parent population?
- Do I start and end with a positive each time I have a conversation with parents and caregivers?
- Do I engage mom's partner?
- Organize a task force of different disciplines to share uniform messages.
- How are messages and information distributed? In some communities, fliers work better than social media.

#### Respect parents' wishes and needs.

- Body language is important
- Listen, hear, respect them
- Treat each family as unique
- Check assumptions
- Allow time & space to process
- Be that trusted care giver
- Share decision making



#### **Conversation Starters**



### Let's Talk Community Chats.

- Partner with trusted community organizations/leaders.
- Identify doulas, dads and grandparents to become facilitators.
- Facilitators are deployed on a monthly basis to a location selected by community organization where families gather.
- Families have extended conversations about safe sleep concerns, breastfeeding, proper use of infant products, and receive products and information on other local support services.



### **Questions?**

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# **Empathy and Compassion in Safe Sleep Messaging**

**Natasha Shull and Maura Hanke** 

Charlie's Kids



#### "Great communication begins with connection."

-Oprah Winfrey

- We know safe sleep is hard.
- In Dr. Rachel Moon's most recent study (*The Tension Between AAP Safe Sleep Guidelines and Infant Sleep*, Pediatrics, March 2024), we learned that most people know the ABCs of safe sleep but are not practicing it.
  - "If I had to follow the safe sleep back is best and nothing in the crib and no contact sleeping, I don't think that she would get much sleep, nor would I, so I don't feel too confident in that." mom from Dr. Moon's Study
- Instead of telling people what to do, lead with WHY to do it.
- Charlie is one of thousands of why we practice safe infant sleep... here is Charlie's story. <a href="https://vimeo.com/909085989">https://vimeo.com/909085989</a>





MAURA HANKE Charlie's mom Charlie's Kids Co-Founder











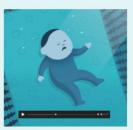
## Charlie's Kids Video Library: Empathy in Action



9 Short Videos To Help and Support Parents Practice Safe Infant Sleep – Available in both English and Spanish!



Sate to Sleep Through Connection



Babies Sleep At Night, Not All Night



How To Support A New Parent



Our Videos - Charlie's Kids (charlieskids.org)



#### **Need books for SIDS Awareness Month?**



https://charlieskids.org/book-grant-application



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