

# Safe Sleep Certified Hospital Notes

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## Does Your Hospital Have Something to Share?

### Cribs for Kids Conference Abstract Deadline Extended to January 17th, 2024

It is uplifting for our team to review certification applications and annual reports. We love reading about the work hospitals do providing safe sleep care, training, and education to their patients and across their communities. We ask you to consider sharing your work at our **8th National Infant Safe Sleep Conference, 25 Years - The Power of the Past and the Force of our Future**. Our virtual conference is scheduled for **May 7th through the 10th, 2024**. It's your team's opportunity to share your work with like-minded colleagues.

What kind of work do we read about? Hospitals offering pre-natal and post-partum safe sleep education and support, sharing community outreach efforts across local agencies, collaborating with statewide initiatives, implementing our All Employee Hospital-wide training module, developing unique onboarding or annual staff training, managing rigorous quality initiatives, promoting safe sleep across social media- so much! If you think your work won't fill a thirty-minute presentation, no worries! We can create a 30-60 minute session featuring a range of hospitals' work.

Our one-of-a-kind conference is for sharing knowledge and experience to reduce infant mortality by reducing sleep-related deaths. Be a part of it!

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**Abstract Submissions Accepted through January 17, 2024 at 5 PM ET**

<https://cribsforkids.org/conference/>



## Last Webinar of 2023 Marking our 25th Anniversary - Join Us!

### Hear from the Team at Safe Sleep Simulation and the Cribs for Kids Team

Join us on Monday, December 18th, at noon ET as we talk about innovations in Infant Safe Sleep with the team from **Safe Sleep Simulation**. **Alyssa Ehinger** and **Adriahn Hindsley** from **Parkview Mirro Center for Research and Innovation**, will demonstrate this impactful training and education system while talking about how it's being used across the country. The team from Cribs for Kids will also share updates on the past year and a look towards 2024.

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**Learn about Safe Sleep Simulation:** <https://www.safesleepsimulation.com/>

**Webinar Registration & View Earlier Webinars:** <https://cribsforkids.org/25th-anniversary/>



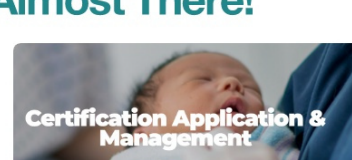
## Submittable Quick Note: Great Job - Almost There!

Hey! Great news, 85% of our Infant Safe Sleep Certified Hospitals have created their hospital's account in our new online management platform, Submittable. Whether created to submit an application for a five-year designation or to submit an annual report, we applaud your terrific commitment to our program. Thank you.

Remember, every hospital must have a Submittable account, but each hospital can only have one account. If you are one of the 15% without an account, contact us or Submittable with any technical concerns. We look forward to wrapping up the Submittable transition by the end of 1st quarter. Information on Submittable for an application or annual report is on our website.

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<https://cribsforkids.org/apply-manage/>



## Fact Check: Vaccines for Mom & Baby - Sleep & Impairment

We feature information related to the Infant Safe Sleep Recommendations. Below are links to three articles that speak to two recommendations. The first two relate to the recommendation that mother and baby keep up with regular healthcare visits including immunizations. The third relates to the risk of impairment related to surface sharing. We often think impairment involves use of alcohol, drugs, or some prescribed or OTC meds. This article tells us that lack of sleep is also a form of impairment.



### Covid Vaccines Curbed Premie Births

Knowing preemies are at higher risk of SIDS and/or sleep-related death, preventing pre-term birth is vital to our mission. This article nicely gives a synopsis of the findings, and also links to the original research making it great for family education and staff training.

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[COVID Vaccines Curbed Pandemic-Linked Surge in Premie Births \(healthday.com\)](#)



### Routine Vaccines Reduce SIDS Likelihood

Following false social media posts, this reporter reviews the relationship between immunizations and SIDS risk reduction. Again, another piece that does a great job of reviewing the evidence in an accessible manner while providing links to research.

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[Infant vaccinations may reduce likelihood of SIDS | Fact check \(usatoday.com\)](#)



### Sleep Deprivation Mimics Intoxication

While not dealing specifically with new mothers, who has encountered or heard of new parents NOT sleep deprived? This information supports to never to surface share, particularly when impaired. If sleep deprivation mimics intoxication, what parent isn't impaired?

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[Getting This Little Sleep Is Basically The Same As Being Drunk | HuffPost UK Life \(huffingtonpost.co.uk\)](#)

## Infant Product Notices

### CPSC to Consumers: Discard Miracle Baby Loungers

11/22/23 - The Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) warned consumers to immediately stop using **Miracle Baby Loungers** due to several federal safety regulation violations for infant sleep products, posing a risk of suffocation or falls to infants.

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**Details:** [CPSC Warns Consumers to Immediately Stop Using Miracle Baby Loungers Due to Suffocation Risk and Fall Hazard; Failure to Meet Federal Safety Regulation for Infant Sleep Products; Sold Exclusively on Amazon.com \(prnewswire.com\)](#)



### CPSC Proposes Major Redesign of Infant Loungers

On the heels of last month's lounger recall, the **Consumer Product Safety Commission** on Wednesday advanced a proposal for the first federal safety requirements for infant loungers, citing dozens of deaths linked to the popular products. In a 4-0 vote, the CPSC moved to adopt [recommendations put forward](#) by agency staff earlier this month to mandate a significant redesign of most baby loungers and other infant support cushions currently on the market. A quick google of "infant lounger images" will easily demonstrate why this product needs to be revisited.

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**Details:** <https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/federal-agency-proposes-major-redesign-infant-loungers-prevent-deaths-rcna126044>



## November Infant Safe Sleep Certifications

November proved a record breaking month. Cribs for Kids both received a more certification applications and also awarded more certifications than other month since the 2015 launch of this program. A total of sixteen hospitals submitted a certification application: 8 seeking their first five-year designation, 6 seeking their second five-year designation, and 2 upgrades with their annual report. Amazing. Below are the 27 hospitals that earned a designation in November, 16 for the first time, 9 for a second time, 2 upgrades. Of note, **SSM Health** earned a system-wide certification for 15 hospitals, 3 earning a second five-year designation and 12 earning their first award. SSM Health crosses three states and includes their community and birthing hospitals along with its safe sleep leading children's hospital. We are humbled by each of our certified hospital's commitment to reducing infant mortality by providing safe sleep care.



### Bronze

- Initial designation awarded to **Christus Childrens** in Texas, **Integris Grove Hospital in Oklahoma** and **Kishwaukee Hospital NW Medicine** in Illinois, along with these **SSM Health Hospitals** across three states: **Good Samaritan Mount Vernon** in Illinois, **St. Mary's Hospital St. Louis**, **St. Clare Hospital Fenton**, **DePaul Hospital St. Louis**, **St. Joseph Hospital Lake Saint Louis**, **St. Mary's Hospital Jefferson City** each in Missouri, and **St. Mary's Hospital Madison, St. Mary's Hospital Janesville**, **St. Clare Hospital Baraboo**, **St. Agnes Hospital Fond du Lac**, **Waupun Memorial Hospital**, and **Monroe Hospital** each in Wisconsin.
- Second five-year designations awarded to **Catholic Health Initiatives St. Vincent Hot Springs** in Arkansas, and **SSM Health St. Anthony Hospital Oklahoma City** and **St. Anthony Hospital Shawnee**, both in Oklahoma.

### Gold

- Initial designation awarded to **Northern Westchester Hospital** in New York
- Second five-year designations awarded to **SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Childrens Hospital** in Missouri, **Jamestown Regional in North Dakota**, a two-hospital system certification for **Cleveland Clinic Florida** for their **Tradition Hospital** and **Martin Health**, and **Memorial Hospital Miramar**, all in Florida.
- Upgrading to Gold within the first two years of their annual report are **Fort Sanders Regional Medical Center** and **Baptist Health Fort Smith**, both in Arkansas.

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**Database of Infant Safe Sleep Certified Hospitals on the program's landing page:**

<https://cribsforkids.org/hospitalcertification/>

## November Fun Foto Feature

### Columbus Regional Fatherhood Engagement Class

We spotted our Cribette in last month's **NICHD Safe Sleep eBlast** featuring dads learning about safe sleep. It's exciting to see our Cribette in the field, and especially exciting to see it used in a class held by Gold Safe Sleep Certified Hospital **Columbus Regional Health** in Illinois. Thank you!

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**Send your Fun Fotos:** [hospitalcertification@cribsforkids.org](mailto:hospitalcertification@cribsforkids.org)



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