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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **Sedgwick County Fire District to Sponsor SIDS Training**

(Sedgwick County, Kansas) –Sedgwick County Fire District #1 in collaboration with the SIDS Network of Kansas, Inc. will sponsor a free training workshop for first responders (law enforcement, fire, EMS and medical examiners) on Monday, May 17, beginning at 8:00 a.m. The workshop will address the recent standardization of infant death investigation protocol and will be held at Fire Station 37, 4343 North Woodlawn, Wichita. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m.

Guest Presenter Deborah Robinson, Deputy Director of the SIDS Foundation of Washington, will present a training CD ROM, produced with a grant from the Boeing (Seattle) company.

Given the difficulties of a SIDS death, this training has become most helpful for emergency and investigative personnel. The training will assist those responding to an infant death to conduct a thorough, yet compassionate scene investigation. The protocol was designed after the recommendations of the Center for Disease Control (CDC). There is a nation-wide interest to standardize the methodology in which infant death investigations are conducted.

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"We are very pleased that Sedgwick County Fire District #1 can host this training for our employees as well as other first responders," said Sedgwick County Commission Chairman Tom Winters.

For additional information or advance registration, please contact the SIDS Network of Kansas at 682-1301 or Chief Mike Simmons, 744-0471, ext. 16

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