

Discussion of investigation reports, 10:30-11:30

Over the past 23 years, the NIOSH FFFIPP fatality investigation reports have evolved. In general, the trauma investigations currently produce lengthy (frequently 100+ pages) comprehensive reports that include a detailed description of the fatal incident, the contributing factors, and prevention recommendations for similar incidents. Being alert to opportunities for improvement, we are seeking input on our trauma reports. Each invited fire service community member will be given five minutes to provide input on the questions below and there will be a 15-minute open discussion period for all attendees.

As you consider these questions in relation to our current reports, please keep in mind that the [objectives of the FFFIPP](#) are to identify and describe firefighter line-of-duty deaths and recommend prevention strategies.

1. The audience for a report includes those who will use the findings, those who are served by the program, and key decision makers. For the FFFIPP fatality investigation reports, tell us who you see as the top 3-5 audiences within the fire service.
 - a. Are there any audiences outside the fire service that you consider to be a priority? If so, who?
2. Think about the length of the reports. Is it more important to have a longer report with all the details that takes more than one year to release or a concise report with prioritized details that could be released in less than one year?
3. Think about what aspects of the current reports best address the FFFIPP objectives mentioned above. What are the top three most important aspects of the current reports?
4. If you could make one change to the current reports, what would it be?

Investigation Priorities, 11:30-12:00

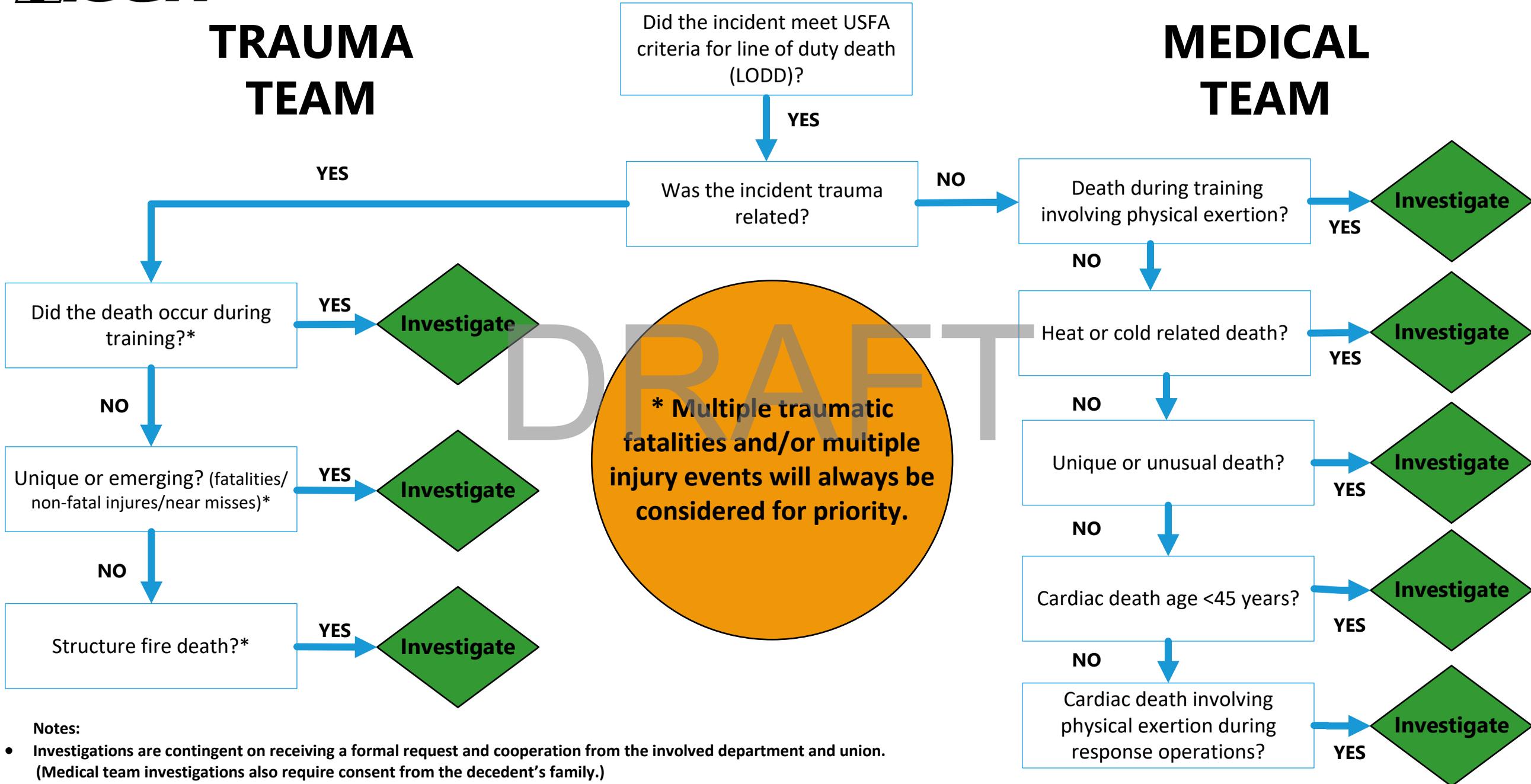
Since the NIOSH FFFIPP began having fire service community meetings in the mid-2000's, the fire service has helped NIOSH develop its investigation priorities. The last investigation priority update occurred in 2009 and is currently posted on the [FFFIPP website](#). NIOSH wants to take advantage of this meeting to solicit help from our fire service partners to update our investigation priorities.

Taking into consideration the number of FFFIPP investigators and the findings from our previous reports, NIOSH drafted an update of the Prioritization Guideline. This draft decision flow chart is being shared with the registered participants. During the designated 30 minutes, NIOSH will have an open discussion of the following questions:

- Do the revised Trauma priorities reflect the needs of the fire service?
- Do the revised Medical priorities reflect the needs of the fire service?
- Should any of the priorities be reordered?
- Are we missing any topics or areas that should be considered?

TRAUMA TEAM

MEDICAL TEAM



*** Multiple traumatic fatalities and/or multiple injury events will always be considered for priority.**

Notes:

- Investigations are contingent on receiving a formal request and cooperation from the involved department and union. (Medical team investigations also require consent from the decedent's family.)
- Personnel and financial resources limit the number of investigations.
- All cases that fall under investigate may not be investigated.
- Prioritizations may change depending upon fatality data.