

## 90-Day Summary Report for Child Death, Serious Injury or Egregious Incident

Case Tracking Number: 110703DSP-Milw-123 Agency: Bureau of Milwaukee Child Welfare

Child Information: Age: 0 months (2 hours) Gender:  Female  Male  
Race or Ethnicity: African American  
Special needs: None

Child's Residence:  In-home  Out-of-home care placement

Date of Incident: 7/3/11

### Description of the incident, including the suspected cause of death, injury or egregious abuse or neglect:

On July 3, 2011, the mother gave birth to a baby boy in the toilet of the hospital bathroom. The child died within 2 hours. The mother was taken to the hospital emergency room by law enforcement when they found her wandering and in labor. She was approximately 19.5 weeks pregnant and under the influence of drugs when she delivered. It was determined that the child's death was due to the mother's drug use while pregnant. No criminal charges have been filed in connection with the baby's death.

### Findings by agency, including material circumstances leading to incident:

The agency was unable to make a maltreatment determination because they were unable to locate the mother. The mother has two other children that are not in her care or custody.

### Additional information for children in home:

#### Description of the child's family:

The mother was homeless at the time of the baby's birth. The deceased baby has two older siblings. One sibling lives with the biological father and the other child lives with a relative who has guardianship.

Yes  No **Statement of Services:** Were services under ch. 48 or ch. 938 being provided to the child, family or alleged maltreater at the time of the incident, including any referrals received by the agency or reports being investigated at time of incident?

If "Yes", briefly describe the type of services, date(s) of last contact between agency and recipient(s) of those services, and the person(s) receiving those services:

N/A

#### Summary of all involvement in services as adults under ch. 48 or ch. 938 by child's parents or alleged maltreater in the previous five years:

See following section

#### Summary of actions taken by the agency under ch. 48, including any investigation of a report or referrals to services involving the child, any member of the child's family living in this household and the child's parents and alleged maltreater at the age of 18 years or older:

In 2007, the agency screened in and investigated two reports of neglect by the mother to her infant. Neglect was substantiated, and the child was placed in out-of-home care. The baby was reunified with his father, and the family received services until the case closed in 2008.

#### Summary of any investigation conducted under ch. 48 or ch. 938 and any services provided to the family since the date of the incident:

The agency screened in the report of neglect to the deceased infant, but was unable to complete the initial assessment. Numerous attempts were made to have face-to-face contact with the mother via scheduled and unscheduled visits, but she was uncooperative. The case was closed due to not being able to locate her. There were no safety concerns for her other children who are not in her care or custody.

### Additional information for children in out-of-home (OHC) placement at time of incident:

#### Description of the OHC placement and basis for decision to place child there:

**Description of all other persons residing in the OHC placement home:**

**Licensing history:** Including type of license, duration of license, summary of any violations by licensee or an employee of licensee that constitutes a substantial failure to protect and promote the welfare of the child.

**\* Summary of actions taken by agency in response to the incident:**

The agency screened in and responded to the report of the deceased infant. Several unsuccessful attempts were made to meet with the mother. The agency also contacted the relatives caring for the siblings. The case was closed.

**\*Summary of policy or practice changes to address identified issues:**

None

**\*Recommendations for further changes in policies, practices, rules or statutes needed to address identified issues:**

None

**Statement of Completion:**

Yes  No This 90-day summary report completes the Division of Safety and Permanence (DSP) review of this case.

\* If a full report including agency actions, changes in policies or practices and recommendations for further changes was not completed within 90 days, the DSP will complete and submit the final summary report within 6 months.