

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

Reports submitted to the Division of Safety and Permanence (DSP) that do not include all of the required information will be returned to the agency for proper completion. Do not identify individuals by name when completing this report. Individuals may be referenced by relationship or position; e.g., mother, father, child, sibling, physician, detective, etc.

Case Tracking Number: 161129-DSP-Milw 668 **Agency:** Division of Milwaukee Child Protective Services

Child Information (at time of incident)

Age: 7 Years Gender: Female Male

Race or Ethnicity: Black/African American

Special Needs: None

Date of Incident: 11/29/2016

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

On November 29, 2016, the agency received a report regarding a 7-year-old child that was brought to the hospital unresponsive. According to the Medical Examiner's report, the child died from the effects of severe malnutrition and severe physical abuse. The child had blunt force injuries to the head and neck and numerous other injuries all over his body. Law enforcement was contacted and initiated a criminal investigation regarding the child's death. As a result of law enforcement's investigation, the child's maternal cousin was charged with Child Neglect (Consequence is Death), Child Neglect (Consequence is Great Bodily Harm), and two counts of Child Abuse/Fail to Prevent Bodily Harm. An adult non-relative household member was charged with Child Neglect (Consequence is Death), Child Neglect (Consequence is Great Bodily Harm), and two counts of Physical Abuse/Repeated Acts Causing Bodily Harm. Two additional adult non-relative household members were arrested at the time of the incident, but no charges have been filed for those adults. A criminal charge is merely an allegation and a defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

Findings by agency, including maltreatment determination and material circumstances leading to incident:

The agency collaborated with law enforcement and medical personnel to complete the assessment. The Initial Assessment completed by the agency found a preponderance of evidence to substantiate neglect and physical abuse of the child by the child's maternal cousin. The Initial Assessment completed by the agency found a preponderance of evidence to substantiate neglect and physical abuse of the child by an adult non-relative household member. According to the Medical Examiner's report, the child died from the effects of severe malnutrition and severe physical abuse. The agency determined the child's 9-year-old brother and 13-year-old cousin to be unsafe in the home. Both children were taken into custody and placed in out-of-home care. The child's maternal cousin and a non-relative household member were criminally charged and court ordered to have no contact with the child's 9-year-old brother and 13-year-old cousin. The case remained open for ongoing case management services.

Yes No Criminal investigation pending or completed?

Yes No Criminal charges filed? If yes, against whom? The child's maternal cousin and a non-relative adult household member.

Child's residence at the time of incident: In-home Out-of-home care placement

Complete the appropriate following section (A. or B. based on the child's residence at the time of the incident).

A. Children residing at home at the time of the incident:

Description of the child's family (includes household members, noncustodial parent and other children that have visitation with the child and / or in the child's family home):

At the time of the incident the child lived with his maternal cousin, three adult household members, his 9-year-old brother, and a 13-year-old cousin.

Yes No **Statement of Services:** Were services under ch. 48 or ch. 938 being provided to the child, any member of the child's 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: (Does not include the current incident.)

Summary of involvement for the child's maternal cousin is as follows:

On June 4, 2009 the agency screened-in a CPS Report alleging physical abuse by the child's maternal cousin of her now adult children. An assessment was completed by the agency and the allegations of physical abuse were unsubstantiated.

On June 19, 2003 the agency screened-in a CPS Report alleging neglect by the child's maternal cousin of her now adult child. An assessment was completed by the agency and the allegation of neglect was determined likely to occur. The now adult child was determined to be unsafe and was placed in out-of-home care. A Child in Need of Protection or Services Petition was filed and the case remained open to provide ongoing case management services.

On April 15, 2003 the agency screened-in a CPS Report alleging physical abuse resulting in death by the child's maternal cousin of a non-relative then one-year-old child. This report also included allegations regarding physical abuse by the child's maternal cousin of her now adult child. An assessment was completed by the agency and both allegations of physical abuse were substantiated. The child's maternal cousin's now adult child was determined to be unsafe and was placed in out-of-home care. A Child in Need of Protection or Services Petition was filed and the case remained open to provide ongoing case management services.

On April 16, 2003 the agency screened in a CPS Report alleging physical abuse by the child's maternal cousin of her now adult child. An assessment was completed by the agency and the allegation of physical abuse was substantiated.

On February 27, 1995 the agency screened-in a CPS Report alleging physical abuse by the child's maternal cousin of her now adult child. An assessment was completed by the agency and the allegation of physical abuse was unsubstantiated.

Summary of involvement for the substantiated non-relative household member is as follows:

On May 9, 2000 the agency screened-out a CPS Report.

On April 1, 2000 the agency screened-out a CPS Report

On November 9, 1999 the agency screened-out a CPS Report.

On December 21, 1998 the agency screened-in a CPS Report alleging neglect of unrelated minors by the child's non-relative household member. An assessment was completed by the agency and the allegations of neglect were unsubstantiated.

On April 18, 1994 the agency screened-in a CPS Report alleging neglect of unrelated minors by the by the child's non-relative household member. An assessment was completed by the agency and the allegations of neglect were unsubstantiated.

On January 10, 1994 the agency screened-in a CPS Report alleging neglect of unrelated minors by the child's non-relative household member. An assessment was completed by the agency and the allegation of neglect was unsubstantiated.

Summary of involvement for the other non-relative household members is as follows:

N/A

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. (Does not include the current incident.)

(Note: Screened out reports listed in this section may include only the date of the report, screening decision, and if a referral to services occurred at Access. Reports that do not constitute a reasonable suspicion of maltreatment or a reason to believe that the child is threatened with harm are not required to be screened in for an initial assessment, and no further action is required by the agency.)

N/A

Summary of any investigation involving the child, any member of the child's family and alleged maltreater conducted under ch. 48 and any services provided to the child and child's family since the date of the incident:

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child's maternal cousin. The Initial Assessment completed by the agency found a preponderance of evidence to substantiate neglect and physical abuse of the child by an adult non-relative household member. According to the Medical Examiner's report, the child died from the effects of severe malnutrition and severe physical abuse. The agency determined the child's 9-year-old brother and 13-year-old cousin to be unsafe in the home. Both children were taken into custody and placed in out-of-home care. The child's maternal cousin and a non-relative household member were criminally charged and court ordered to have no contact with the child's 9-year-old brother and 13-year-old cousin. The case remained open for ongoing case management services.

B. Children residing in out-of-home care (OHC) placement at time of incident:

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

N/A

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

N/A

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

N/A

Summary of any actions taken by agency in response to the incident: (Check all that apply.)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening of Access report | <input type="checkbox"/> Attempted or successful reunification |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Protective plan implemented | <input type="checkbox"/> Referral to services |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Initial assessment conducted | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation assistance |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Safety plan implemented | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Collaboration with law enforcement |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Temporary physical custody of child | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Collaboration with medical professionals |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Petitioned for court order / CHIPS (child in need of protection or services) | <input type="checkbox"/> Supervised visitation |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Placement into foster home | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Case remains open for services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Placement with relatives | <input type="checkbox"/> Case closed by agency |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ongoing Services case management | <input type="checkbox"/> Initiated efforts to address or enhance community collaboration on CA/N cases |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe): |

FOR DSP COMPLETION IF RECORD OR ON-SITE REVIEW WAS UNDERTAKEN:

Summary of policy or practice changes to address issues identified based on the record or on-site review of the incident:

N/A

Recommendations for further changes in policies, practices, rules or statutes needed to address identified issues based on the record or on-site review:

N/A

Yes No Not Applicable This 90-day summary report completes the Division of Safety and Permanence (DSP) action on this case.

If the case review was not completed within 90 days, the DSP will complete and submit the final summary report within 6 months.