

6-Month Final 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: 130629DSP-GrnLk-339 **Agency:** Green Lake County Health and Human Services Department

Child Information (at time of incident)

Age: 10 months Gender: Female Male

Race or Ethnicity: White/Hispanic/Latino

Special Needs: None

Date of Incident: June 29, 2013

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

On June 29, 2013, the agency received a report that a 10 month old male presented at the hospital with multiple symptoms of non-accidental trauma. The mother's boyfriend claimed he accidentally dropped the child while picking him out of his crib. While consoling the child, the mother's boyfriend admitted that he may have squeezed him too hard. When the child's mother was questioned about the incident, she initially stated that the child fell on a toy, but then collaborated with her boyfriend's story. Criminal charges of Child Abuse-Recklessly Cause Harm and Obstructing an Officer were filed against the mother's boyfriend. Criminal charges of Neglecting a Child (Consequence is Bodily Harm) and Obstructing an Officer were filed against the child's mother.

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 the evidence to substantiate physical abuse to the child by the mother's boyfriend for the injuries sustained on June 29, 2013. The Initial Assessment completed by the agency found a preponderance of the evidence to substantiate physical abuse to the child by an unknown maltreater for the healing rib fractures. The Initial Assessment completed by the agency found a preponderance of the evidence to substantiate neglect of the child by the child's mother. The three children were placed in the home of relatives under a Kinship Care order. The agency filed a Child in Need of Protection or Services petition and the case remains open for ongoing case management service.

Yes No Criminal investigation pending or completed?

Yes No Criminal charges filed? If yes, against whom? Mother's boyfriend

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 resided with his mother and his mother's boyfriend. The mother's boyfriend has a child who resides with that child's mother, but had regular visitation with her father. The child's father had minimal visitation with the child.

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.)

None

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.)

On September 14, 2011, the agency screened out a CPS report.

On January 28, 2013, the agency screened out a CPS report.

On April 30, 2013, the agency screened out a CPS report.

On August 7, 2013, the agency screened in a Service report requesting courtesy supervision from another county agency which was accepted by that agency.

Summary of any investigation involving the child, any member of the child's family and alleged maltreater conducted under ch. 48 or ch. 938 and any services provided to the child and child's family since the date of the 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 the evidence to substantiate physical abuse to the child by the mother's boyfriend for the injuries sustained on June 29, 2013. The Initial Assessment completed by the agency found a preponderance of the evidence to substantiate physical abuse to the child by an unknown maltreater for the healing rib fractures. The Initial Assessment completed by the agency found a preponderance of the evidence to substantiate neglect of the child by the child's mother. The three children were placed in the home of relatives under a Kinship Care order. The agency filed a Child in Need of Protection or Services petition and the case remains open for ongoing case management service.

B. Children residing in out-of-home (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 that constitutes 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Protective plan implemented | <input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Supervised visitation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Placement into foster home | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Case remains open for services |
| <input checked="" 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): |

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Summary of policy or practice changes to address issues identified during the review of the incident:

Under the Child Welfare Disclosure Act (Section 48.981(7)(cr), Stats.), the Department of Children and Families' (DCF) Division of Safety and Permanence (DSP) completes an initial review of the agency's practice for each case reported under the Act. A further practice review has been completed for case 130629DSP-GrnLk-339. As a result of this review, the DSP determined the agency implemented action steps to improve the consistency and quality of safety assessment and decision-making practice.

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

Based on the agency's effort and response to this incident and DSP review, no further policy, practice, or statutory changes are recommended.

Yes No Not Applicable This 6-Month final summary report completes the Division of Safety and Permanence (DSP) review of this case.