

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

Case Tracking Number: 101005DSP-PN-54 Agency: Sheboygan County Dept. of Human Services

Child Information: Age: 4 months Gender:  Female  Male  
Race or Ethnicity: Caucasian  
Special needs: None

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

Date of Incident: 10/5/10

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

On October 5, 2010 when the child's mother arrived to pick him up from the babysitter at 3:15 p.m., she found him pale, gray, cold, limp and grunting. The babysitter informed her that he had been "out of it" since around 12:30 p.m. The mother took the child to his pediatrician who referred him to the local hospital. The hospital then sent him to Children's Hospital in Milwaukee. The child's respiration rate was very low, he had an elevated heart rate and swelling of the lungs. It is believed the child suffered from an asphyxiation event which caused a lack of oxygen, but there is no medical test for this. The babysitter's explanation of the child's distress was inconsistent.

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

The agency substantiated neglect and physical abuse to the infant by the babysitter. The child was deprived of oxygen while in the care of the babysitter. The agency's investigation found that the babysitter had concerns about the child's condition around 11:00 a.m. this day, but she did not seek medical care or contact the parents. The babysitter is not licensed as a daycare provider. To date, the criminal investigation of the incident has not resulted in the filing of criminal charges.

### Additional information for children in home:

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

The child lives with his parents.

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:

A child protective services (CPS) report was received and screened in on this babysitter in April 2010. The initial assessment unsubstantiated the allegation, and no services were provided following the initial assessment.

#### 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 April 2010, the agency received and screened in a CPS report alleging physical abuse to a child in the care of this babysitter. The agency investigated and determined the allegation to be unsubstantiated.

#### 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 and investigated the report of injury to this child. Neglect and physical abuse to the infant by the babysitter was substantiated. The child was hospitalized for five days and discharged to his parents. The parents will not be using this babysitter in the future. No services were needed or provided to the family.

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

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**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 investigated the incident, substantiating neglect and physical abuse by the babysitter. The social worker contacted the parents of the other children using this babysitter as a daycare provider to inform them about the allegation of abuse and investigation by the agency.

**\*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.