

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: 120723DSP-Meno-225 **Agency:** Menominee County Human Services Department

Child Information (at time of incident)

Age: 1 ½ years Gender: Female Male

Race or Ethnicity: American Indian

Special Needs: None

Date of Incident: 7/23/12

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

On 7/23/12, the agency received a report of a 1 ½-year-old child who drowned in a swimming pool. Several adults and children were home at the time of the incident. There was a pool at the family home, as well as a pool at the neighbor's home. The child was in the neighbor's pool with her mother earlier in the day and was reportedly "fascinated" by the water. The adults at the home did not realize the child returned to the neighbor's pool where other children were playing, including the child's 3-year-old brother. The pool was not in eyesight of the adults who were present. It is believed the child climbed up to the edge of the pool via the pool ladder or a chair, which was sitting next to the pool and either fell into the pool or was helped in by another child. Law enforcement investigated the circumstances of the child's death and concluded this was an accidental drowning. No charges were filed in this case.

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

The agency screened in and collaborated with law enforcement to assess an allegation of neglect to the child and her 3-year-old brother. Neglect by the mother and father was substantiated. The agency determined there was a lack of supervision to the children who were in the pool at the time of the incident. While adults were present at home, no adult was providing direct supervision to the children. The agency worked with the family to ensure the 3-year-old would be properly supervised and he has remained in the care of his parents.

Yes No Criminal investigation pending or completed?

Yes No Criminal charges filed? If yes, against whom?

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):

The child lived with her mother, father, and 3-year-old brother.

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 9/20/11, the agency screened in an allegation of physical abuse to the now 3-year-old. Physical abuse was unsubstantiated and the agency closed the case.

On 1/4/12, the agency screened out a referral regarding connecting the family to medical services.

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 screened in and assessed the allegation of neglect to the child and her 3-year-old brother. Neglect by the mother and father of the children was substantiated. Law enforcement concluded the child’s death was an accidental drowning; however, the agency determined there was lack of supervision by the parents at the time of the incident. The 3-year-old was determined safe in the care of his parents. The family has strong extended family support, which continues to be available to the family. The family is receiving voluntary services from the agency.

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:

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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation assistance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Safety plan implemented | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Collaboration with law enforcement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary physical custody of child | <input type="checkbox"/> Collaboration with medical professionals |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Petitioned for court order / CHIPS (child in need of protection or services) | <input type="checkbox"/> Supervised visitation |
| <input 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): |

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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 DSP completes a 90-day review of the agency’s practice in each case reported under the Act. In accordance with the DCF memo Series 2010-13, dated December 7, 2010 pertaining to the Child Welfare Case Review Protocol, the DSP will complete a full case record review in case #120723DSP-Meno-225.

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

None

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

The agency must submit an electronic copy of the completed 90-Day Summary Report to Tara.Muender@wisconsin.gov