

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: 120911DSP-Milw-246 Agency: Bureau of Milwaukee Child Welfare

Child Information (at time of incident)

Age: 2 months Gender: Female Male

Race or Ethnicity: African American

Special Needs: None

Date of Incident: 9/11/12

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

On 9/11/12, the agency received a report regarding a 2-month-old infant who was found unresponsive and later pronounced dead in the father's home. The mother and the infant were spending the night with the father and his family at the time of the incident. The paternal grandmother had been caring for the infant while the mother was upstairs resting. The paternal grandmother brought the infant to the mother at approximately 9:00 pm. The mother fed the infant and played with him for a while. The infant fell asleep between 10:00 pm and 11:00 pm. The mother was lying on the bed with the infant watching television and the infant's father was on the floor next to the bed. The mother reportedly did not sleep during this time and stated that when she went to move him to his pack and play around midnight, she found him unresponsive. The mother woke the father and they contacted 911. The father was given directions to attempt CPR until emergency medical personnel arrived. Efforts to resuscitate the infant were unsuccessful and the infant passed away. Autopsy results are still pending at this time; however, the cause of death is expected to be SIDS. No criminal charges have been filed in connection with the infant's death.

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

The agency screened in and assessed the allegation of neglect to the infant by his parents. Neglect to the infant was unsubstantiated. No evidence exists to prove that either parent neglected the infant or failed to provide for his needs. Resources to assist with the grieving process were made available to the family and the agency closed the case.

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):

At the time of the incident, the mother and the infant divided their time between the maternal grandmother's home and the paternal grandmother's home. The maternal grandmother's home consisted of the infant's maternal grandmother, 15-year-old aunt, 8-year-old uncle, 4-year-old uncle, and 8-year-old cousin. The paternal grandmother's home consisted of the infant's father, paternal grandmother, 11-year-old aunt, 14-year-old uncle, 13-year-old uncle, 16-year-old aunt, and 17-year-old uncle.

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 11/4/08, the agency screened in a report alleging abuse to the 13-year-old (now 16-year-old mother) by a family friend. The allegation was unsubstantiated and the agency closed the case.

On 7/13/11, the agency screened in a report alleging abuse to the 6-year-old cousin (now 8-year-old) by the maternal grandmother. The allegation was unsubstantiated and the agency closed the case.

On 9/7/11, the agency screened in a report alleging abuse to the 2-year-old (now 4-year-old) by an unknown maltreater. The allegation was unsubstantiated and the agency closed the case.

On 2/2/12, the agency screened in a report alleging abuse to the 7-year-old (now 8-year-old) by the maternal grandmother. The allegation was unsubstantiated and the agency closed the case.

On 7/13/12, the agency screened out a report alleging abuse to the 16-year-old mother by a non-caregiver.

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 infant by his parents. Neglect to the infant was unsubstantiated. No evidence existed to prove that either parent neglected the infant or failed to provide for his needs. Safety assessments were completed on both the maternal grandmother's home and the paternal grandmother's home. The children in both homes were determined safe. Resources to assist with the grieving process were made available to the family and the agency closed the case.

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 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 type="checkbox"/> Safety plan implemented | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Collaboration with law enforcement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary physical custody of child | <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Case remains open for services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Placement with relatives | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Case closed by agency |
| <input 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. The DSP did not identify practice issues during the review of the incident.

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