

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: 121221DSP-Price-278 **Agency:** Price County Health and Human Services

Child Information (at time of incident)

Age: 2 years Gender: Female Male

Race or Ethnicity: Caucasian

Special Needs: None

Date of Incident: 12/21/12

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

On 12/23/12, the agency received a report of a 2-year-old child, hospitalized two days prior with a brain injury. The mother reported that on 12/21/12, the child and his 4-year-old sister were playing in a bedroom. The mother reportedly heard the 4-year-old child screaming. When the mother entered the room, she found the 2-year-old child lying in the closet, having a seizure. The mother reported the children were tying each other up and a cord wrapped around the child's neck for an unknown period of time. The mother called the father who came to the home and transported the family to the hospital. The child was admitted to the hospital to assess for anoxic brain injury resulting from a seizure. Law enforcement was contacted to investigate the cause of the child's injury. On 12/23/12, a search warrant was executed on the mother's home and law enforcement found the home in a deplorable condition. The home had a pungent smell of cat urine, with cat litter and feces on the floor throughout the home. The home also had garbage and clutter on all the floors, the hallway had three feet of dirty laundry, and there was very little food in the refrigerator and freezer. No criminal charges have been filed in this case.

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. Physical abuse to the child was unsubstantiated; however, neglect to the mother's three children was substantiated because of the deplorable conditions of the home and lack of appropriate supervision resulting in the severe incident of strangulation to the child. All three children were determined unsafe in the home and placed in out-of-home care. The agency filed a Child in Need of Protection or Services Petition in juvenile court and the case remains open for ongoing case management services.

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 his mother, 4-year-old half-sister and 1-year-old brother. The child's father recently moved out of the home but continued contact with the family.

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.)

The mother entered into an Informal Disposition Agreement with the agency on 11/11/08 for a period of one year. The mother agreed to participate in services and to have no new referrals to the agency. The mother did not meet the conditions

outlined in the informal agreement. The mother was under a Child in Need of Protection or Services Dispositional Order for one year beginning on 10/20/09. Once the court order ended, the mother agreed for her case to remain open on a voluntary basis. The case was closed on 4/26/11.

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 5/15/08, the agency screened in a services report. The agency provided voluntary services to the mother.

On 10/1/08, the agency screened in a services report. The agency continued to provide voluntary services.

On 10/22/08, the agency screened in a services report. The agency continued to provide voluntary services.

On 10/31/08, the agency screened in a CPS report. Neglect was unsubstantiated. The agency continued to provide services through an Informal Disposition Agreement.

On 12/26/08, the agency screened in a CPS report. Neglect was unsubstantiated. The agency continued to provide services through an Informal Disposition Agreement.

On 5/26/09, the agency screened in a services report. The agency continued to provide services through an Informal Disposition Agreement.

On 7/28/09, the agency screened in a services report. The agency continued to provide services through an Informal Disposition Agreement.

On 7/14/10, Sheboygan County screened out a CPS report. The agency continued to provide ongoing case management services.

On 4/7/11, the agency screened in a CPS report. Neglect was unsubstantiated. The family declined further involvement with the agency and the case was closed on 6/14/11.

On 3/9/12, Marathon County screened out a CPS report.

On 8/23/12, Marathon County screened in a CPS report. Marathon County completed an Alternative Response Assessment and determined no services were needed due to the family moving out of the county during the assessment period.

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 allegations of physical abuse and neglect. Physical abuse to the child was unsubstantiated. Neglect to the children by the mother was substantiated. All three children were determined unsafe in the home and placed in out-of-home care. Two children are currently placed in foster care and the third child is placed with her biological father. The agency filed a Child in Need of Protection or Services Petition in juvenile court and the case remains open for ongoing case management services.

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 type="checkbox"/> Transportation assistance |
| <input 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 checked="" 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 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 RobertB.Williams@wisconsin.gov