

## 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:** 130430DSP Colum-324      **Agency:** Columbia County Department of Health and Human Services

**Child Information** (at time of incident)

Age: 4 months      Gender:  Female    Male

Race or Ethnicity: Caucasian

Special Needs: Child was born premature

**Date of Incident:** April 29, 2013

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

On May 1, 2013, the agency received a report of an infant who was hospitalized after being seen by her primary physician. The child presented with significant weight loss between doctor's appointments, head injuries, and a broken clavicle. Medical professionals were unable to determine the age of the fractures, but estimated occurrence after birth and possibly in two separate incidences. During the concurrent investigation with law enforcement, the father made a statement about "flipping the child" but claimed the child was not injured. Both parents stated they were the sole caretakers with the child left alone with the father approximately two times per week. Both parents denied knowledge of how the child was injured. A criminal investigation is pending and no criminal charges have been filed.

**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 county agency found a preponderance of evidence to substantiate neglect to the child by both parents. The parents stated they noticed the child had a bump on her clavicle, feedings decreased significantly, and her head was tilting to the side and neither obtained medical examination. The mother stated she feared taking the child to be examined because the doctors would assume she had done something wrong. The agency substantiated physical abuse by an unknown maltreater because the injuries to the child were diagnosed as non-accidental, but not enough evidence existed to substantiate a specific person. The child was determined unsafe and taken into temporary physical custody and placed with a relative. A Child in Need of Protection and Services petition was filed with juvenile court. The case was opened for on-going 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 resided with her mother and father. The child's father has three sons from a previous marriage that visit on weekends. The child's mother has two sons from a previous relationship that only visit occasionally.

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 7/28/2003 a child welfare referral was screened in. Further information on this referral was not available.

On 5/12/2005, a services report was screened-out.

On 4/13/2006, a services report was screened in. Services were offered to the family. The family was able to get counseling for one of the child's half siblings due to depression and the case was closed.

On 6/26/2008 the agency screened in a child welfare referral regarding lack of supervision of one of the child's half-siblings. The family refused services offered by the agency and the agency closed the case.

On 3/16/2009, a services report was screened-out.

On 4/22/2010, a CPS report alleging sexual abuse to one of the child's half-siblings was screened-in and assessed. The agency found insufficient evidence to substantiate the allegations of sexual abuse to the child's half sibling.

On 2/27/2013 a CPS report was screened-in and assessed alleging physical abuse and neglect to the child by her parents. The agency found insufficient evidence to substantiate the allegations of physical abuse or neglect to the child.

On 5/7/2013, a CPS report was screened out.

On 6/26/2013 a CPS report alleging neglect to one of the child's half siblings. The agency found insufficient evidence to substantiate the allegations of neglect to the child's half sibling.

**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 allegations of neglect to the child by the child's parents. The Initial Assessment completed by the county agency found a preponderance of evidence to substantiate neglect to the child by both parents. The agency substantiated physical abuse by an unknown maltreater because the injuries to the child were diagnosed as non-accidental, but not enough evidence existed to substantiate a specific person. The child was determined unsafe and taken into temporary physical custody and placed with a relative. A Child in Need of Protection and Services petition was filed with juvenile court. The case was opened for on-going 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:**

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):   |

**FOR DSP COMPLETION ONLY:**

**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@wi.gov](mailto:RobertB.Williams@wi.gov)