

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: 130623DSP-Milw-336 **Agency:** Bureau of Milwaukee Child Welfare

Child Information (at time of incident)

Age: 6 years Gender: Female Male

Race or Ethnicity: African American

Special Needs: None known

Date of Incident: June 23, 2013

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

On June 23, 2013 the agency received a report regarding a six-year-old girl pronounced dead in her home. The father was caring for the six-year-old while the mother was at work. The mother reported when she returned home, the father threatened to hurt the child and himself, so she went to the police station for assistance. Law enforcement responded to the residence and upon forced entry found the father had already shot the child and then himself. Both the child and the father were pronounced dead at the scene. Investigation by law enforcement and the Medical Examiner concluded the child died from a gunshot wound to the head inflicted by the father. At the time of the incident, the child's 11-year-old half-sister was visiting a relative, so she was unharmed.

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

The agency collaborated with law enforcement and medical professionals to complete the assessment. The Initial Assessment completed by the child welfare agency found a preponderance of the evidence to substantiate physical abuse to the child by the father. The Initial Assessment completed by the child welfare agency found insufficient evidence to substantiate maltreatment to the child by the mother. The mother attempted to protect her child but was unable to do so. The agency determined the child's older half-sister safe based on information gathered for the assessment. The agency referred the family to community resources for domestic violence and grief counseling and 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 child lived with the mother, the father and the child's 11-year-old half-sister.

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.)

N/A.

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.)
N/A.

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 Initial Assessment completed by the child welfare agency found a preponderance of the evidence to substantiate physical abuse to the child by the father. The Initial Assessment completed by the child welfare agency found insufficient evidence to substantiate maltreatment to the child by the mother. The mother attempted to protect her child but was unable to do so. The agency determined the child's older half-sister safe based on information gathered for the assessment. The agency referred the family to community resources for domestic violence and grief counseling and 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:

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 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 | <input type="checkbox"/> Supervised visitation |
| protection or services | <input type="checkbox"/> Case remains open for services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Placement into foster home | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Case closed by agency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Placement with relatives | <input type="checkbox"/> Initiated efforts to address or enhance community |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ongoing Services case management | 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