

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: 130730DSP-Jack-349 **Agency:** Jackson County Department of Health and Human Services

Child Information (at time of incident)

Age: 18 months Gender: Female Male

American Indian/Alaskan Native, Native

Race or Ethnicity: American

Special Needs: None

Date of Incident: 7/30/2013

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

On July 30, 2013, the agency received a report regarding an 18-month-old child with injuries requiring transport via helicopter from a local to a larger hospital. The child sustained a bruise on his forehead, above his right eye; a horizontal abrasion on his left neck; a small laceration to his lip; a burn on the outside edge of his left foot; a scratch below his left knee; a 1cm bruise developing over his sternum; and, a bruise on his left thigh and knee. Multiple explanations of the cause of the child's injuries were given by the child's mother including throwing the child up in the air which caused him to be disoriented and tripping and falling on a linoleum floor.

The mother's boyfriend was charged with one count of Child Abuse-Reckless Probab./Great Harm. The mother's boyfriend was found guilty of one count of Child Abuse-Reckless Probab./Great Harm.

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 allegation of physical abuse to the child by the mother's boyfriend was substantiated. Based on the history and timing of the injuries; the mother's boyfriend's contact with the infant during those times; as well as inconsistencies in the mother's boyfriend's statements during the course of the assessment, the Initial Assessment completed by the agency found a preponderance of the evidence to substantiate Physical abuse to the infant by the mother's boyfriend. Upon discharge from the hospital, the child was placed in the care of his mother with in-home safety services in place. A Child in Need of Protection or Services petition in juvenile court was not filed by the agency as the mother no longer is involved with the alleged maltreater and the case is closed with the agency.

Yes No Criminal investigation pending or completed?
 Yes No Criminal charges filed? If yes, against whom? The mother's boyfriend.

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 resided with his mother and his mother's boyfriend. The child's maternal grandmother had regular contact with the child in the residence. The child had infrequent contact with his non-custodial father and paternal grandmother.

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:

NA

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 agency screened in and assessed the allegation of physical abuse to the child. The Initial Assessment completed by the agency found a preponderance of the evidence to substantiate physical abuse to the child by the mother's boyfriend. In-home safety services were initiated during the assessment process and successfully closed their involvement with this case. The child was also referred to Birth to Three and provided occupational therapy, physical therapy and speech therapy. The child continues to receive these services. The mother was referred to financial support services to include Food Share, childcare assistance and a tribal program to assist her with obtaining employment. The agency did not file a Child in Need of Protection or Services petition and the case is closed. The child's biological father was referred to family court and a parenting program.

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:

NA

Description of all other persons residing in the OHC placement home:

NA

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.

NA

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 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 any practice issues during the review of the incident.

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

N/A

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.

This 90-Day Summary Report was previously delayed. DSP did determine that releasing the summary report would jeopardize an ongoing criminal/civil investigation/proceeding, and delayed posting as provided under Wis. Stat. § 48.981(7)(cr)7.