Public Notification of a Child Death, Serious Injury or Egregious Incident

Case Tracking Number: 101009DSP-PN-56

Date of Public Notification: 10/12/10

The Division of Safety and Permanence (DSP) has received notification that a child death, serious injury or egregious incident has occurred and maltreatment is suspected, or that a child placed in out-of-home care has died and suicide is suspected.

Date of Incident: 10/09/10

Incident Description:
The child was receiving medical treatment for an arm injury at the local hospital when it was found he had considerable bruising to his face, left ear, right upper arm, bruising on both shoulders, broken blood vessel in his left eye, left elbow break and dislocation, and multiple healing fractures in his left tibia. He was transported to Children's Hospital in Minnesota where additional fractures to his right arm, left femur and right tibia were discovered. Doctors indicate that the injuries are the result of ongoing inflicted trauma. The injury to his elbow may interfere with the arm's growth plates resulting in one arm shorter than the other. The mother's boyfriend has been arrested and criminally charged with Child Abuse - Reckless Causation of Bodily Harm.

Child Information:
Age: 1 year  Gender: ☐ Female  ☒ Male
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Child's Residence: ☒ In-home  ☐ Out-of-home care placement by agency

Scope of DSP Review of Incident
☒ eWiSACWIS records review only
☐ Abbreviated review to gather more information about the case
☐ Full records and on-site review by DSP
☐ Other (describe):

Agencies cooperating with the DSP in the review at this time:
Barron County Dept. of Health and Human Services

Additional Information (optional):
The family was unknown to the child welfare system prior to this incident.