

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

Case Tracking Number: 110723DSP-StCr-132

Date of Public Notification: 7/28/11

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: 7/23/11

Incident Description:

When law enforcement responded to a report of an infant death at this home, they discovered an older child sleeping on the bare concrete floor in the basement without a pillow or blankets. The child told the officers that she had not earned the right to have a blanket, pillow or to sleep in her bed. She also reported that she slept in a small child's tent in the yard from July 8-16, 2011. She reported she was not provided food during 4 of the 8 days, nor was she allowed to shower or use the toilet. The parents deny the allegations of neglect, explaining that it was the child's choice not to follow the family's rules. The preliminary finding in the infant death is that the death was accidental, due to the parent rolling onto the baby while sleeping together in the same bed.

Child Information: Age: 14 years 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:
St. Croix County Department of Health and Human Services

Additional Information (optional):