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

Case Tracking Number: 110820DSP-Dane-140

Date of Public Notification: 8/24/11

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: 8/20/11

Incident Description:
The father was taking a nap with the child and a sibling when he awoke to find her blue and with foam around her mouth. He attempted CPR and called 911. The child was taken to the hospital but did not survive. Reportedly, the father had propped up the baby on a pillow with a bottle before they went to sleep. He also reported that family members were “fighting a virus” for the past few weeks.

Child Information:
Age: 9 months  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:
Dane County Dept. of Human Services

Additional Information (optional):