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Dear Mr. Renk and Mr. Fuller:

In compliance with the 2009 Wisconsin Act 78, the Child Welfare Public Disclosure Act, please accept the attached summary reports prepared by the Department of Children and Families on May 9, 2019.

In accordance with Wisconsin Statutes section 48.981(7) (cr) 3.b., the Department is required to "transmit to... the appropriate standing committees of the legislature under s 13.172(3)" summary reports prepared by the Department concerning incidents of death or serious injury to a child that results from suspected abuse or neglect or incidents of egregious abuse or neglect of a child. The summary reports are also made available to the public on the Department's public website.

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Danielle Melfi Assistant Secretary

cc: Governor Tony Evers

Attachments

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: 190208DSP-ROCK-896 Rock County Human Services Department Agency: Child Information (at time of incident) Gender: 🗌 Female 🛛 Male Age: 1 Year Race or Ethnicity: White/Hispanic/Latino Special Needs: None Date of Incident: 2/8/2019

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

On February 8, 2019, the agency received a report regarding a 1-year-old infant brought to the hospital with multiple injuries. Medical personnel determined the injuries were non-accidental in nature. Law enforcement was contacted and initiated a criminal investigation. No criminal charges have been filed in this case, and the investigation remains open.

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 Initial Assessment completed by the agency found a preponderance of the evidence to substantiate maltreatment of physical abuse and neglect to the infant by her mother. Medical professionals determined the infant sustained injuries consistent with non-accidental head trauma. The infant and her sister were deemed unsafe, taken into Temporary Physical Custody, and placed with relatives. A Petition for Protection or Services was filed and the case remained open to provide ongoing case management services.

🖂 Yes

No Criminal investigation pending or completed? Yes X 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 infant resided with her mother and her 3-year-old sister. The infant's biological father had limited visitation.

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:

At the time of the incident, the agency was assessing the January 7, 2019 CPS Report. The last contact by the agency was a home visit with the infant, her now 3-year-old sister, and their mother on January 29, 2019.

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.)

On January 7, 2019, the agency screened-in a CPS Report alleging physical abuse to the infant's now 3-year-old sister and neglect to the infant and her now 3-year-old sister by their mother. The serious injury occurred during the assessment period and an additional report was made to the agency regarding this incident on February 8, 2019. An assessment of the allegations was completed by the agency and the initial allegations of physical abuse and neglect reported on January 7, 2019, were unsubstantiated.

On October 15, 2018, the agency screened-in a CPS Report alleging neglect to the infant's now 3-year-old sister by her mother. An assessment was completed by the agency and the allegation of neglect was unsubstantiated. The case was closed upon the completion of the Initial Assessment and the family was referred to a community support services.

On August 3, 2018, the agency screened-in a CPS Report alleging physical abuse to the infant's now 3-year-old sister by an unknown maltreater and neglect to the infant's now 3-year-old sister by her mother. An assessment was completed by the agency and the allegations of physical abuse and neglect were unsubstantiated. The case was closed upon the completion of the Initial Assessment and the family was referred to community resources.

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.)

On January 7, 2019, the agency screened-in a CPS Report alleging physical abuse to the infant's now 3-year-old sister and neglect to the infant and her now 3-year-old sister by their mother. The serious injury occurred during the assessment period and an additional report was made to the agency regarding this incident on February 8, 2019. An assessment of the allegations was completed by the agency and the initial allegations of physical abuse and neglect reported on January 7, 2019, were unsubstantiated.

On October 15, 2018, the agency screened-in a CPS Report alleging neglect to the infant's now 3-year-old sister by her mother. An assessment was completed by the agency and the allegation of neglect was unsubstantiated. The case was closed upon the completion of the Initial Assessment and the family was referred to a community support services.

On August 3, 2018, the agency screened-in a CPS Report alleging physical abuse to the infant's now 3-year-old sister by an unknown maltreater and neglect to the infant's now 3-year-old sister by her mother. An assessment was completed by the agency and the allegations of physical abuse and neglect were unsubstantiated. The case was closed upon the completion of the Initial Assessment and the family was referred to community resources.

Summary of any investigation involving the child, any member of the child's family and alleged maltreater conducted under ch. 48 and any services provided to the child and child's family since the date of the incident:

The agency collaborated with law enforcement and medical personnel to complete the assessment. The Initial Assessment completed by the agency found a preponderance of the evidence to substantiate maltreatment of physical abuse and neglect to the infant by her mother. Medical professionals determined the infant sustained injuries consistent with non-accidental head trauma. The infant and her sister were deemed unsafe, taken into Temporary Physical Custody, and placed with relatives. A Petition for Protection or Services was filed and the case remained open to provide ongoing case management services.

B. Children residing in out-of-home care (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 or other actions that constitute 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.)

\boxtimes	Screening of Access report		Attempted or successful reunification
	Protective plan implemented	\boxtimes	Referral to services
\square	Initial assessment conducted	\boxtimes	Transportation assistance
	Safety plan implemented	\boxtimes	Collaboration with law enforcement
\boxtimes	Temporary physical custody of child	\boxtimes	Collaboration with medical professionals
$\overline{\boxtimes}$	Petitioned for court order / CHIPS (child in need of	\boxtimes	Supervised visitation
	protection or services)	\boxtimes	Case remains open for services
	Placement into foster home		Case closed by agency
\boxtimes	Placement with relatives		Initiated efforts to address or enhance community
\boxtimes	Ongoing Services case management		collaboration on CA/N cases
			Other (describe):

FOR DSP COMPLETION IF RECORD OR ON-SITE REVIEW WAS UNDERTAKEN:

Summary of policy or practice changes to address issues identified based on the record or on-site 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 will conduct a further review in this case.

Recommendations for further changes in policies, practices, rules or statutes needed to address identified issues based on the record or on-site review:

None at this time.

🗌 Yes	🛛 No 🗌 Not Applicable	This 90-day summary report completes the Division of Safety and Permanence (DSP) action on this
		case.

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Case 1	Fracking Number:	190208DSP-SAWYER-895	Agency:	Sawyer County Department of Health and Human Services
	Information (at tim	,	_	
Age:	4 weeks	Gender: 🗌 Femal	e 🛛 Male	
Race c	or Ethnicity: Ame	erican Indian/Alaskan Native		
Specia	l Needs: None			

Date of Incident: 02/08/19

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

On February 10, 2019, the agency received a report regarding an infant brought to the hospital with serious injuries allegedly sustained on February 8, 2019. Medical personnel determined the injuries were non-accidental in nature. Law enforcement was contacted and initiated a criminal investigation. No criminal charges were filed and the case was closed.

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 Initial Assessment completed by the agency found a preponderance of the evidence to substantiate neglect of the infant by the infant's mother's cousin. Medical professionals determined the infant sustained injuries consistent with non-accidental trauma. The agency determined the infant safe and the infant remained in the home with his parents. The family was referred to other services and the agency closed the case upon completion of the Initial Assessment.

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 infant resided with his mother, father, and 6-year-old brother.

Ves 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.) None

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.)

None

Summary of any investigation involving the child, any member of the child's family and alleged maltreater conducted under ch. 48 and any services provided to the child and child's family since the date of the incident:

The agency collaborated with law enforcement and medical personnel to complete the assessment. The Initial Assessment completed by the agency found a preponderance of the evidence to substantiate neglect of the infant by the infant's mother's cousin. Medical professionals determined the infant sustained injuries consistent with non-accidental trauma. The agency determined the infant safe and the infant remained in the home with his parents. The family was referred to other services and the agency closed the case upon completion of the Initial Assessment.

B. Children residing in out-of-home care (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 or other actions that constitute 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.)

\boxtimes	Screening of Access report		Attempted or successful reunification
	Protective plan implemented	\boxtimes	Referral to services
\square	Initial assessment conducted		Transportation assistance
	Safety plan implemented	\boxtimes	Collaboration with law enforcement
	Temporary physical custody of child	\boxtimes	Collaboration with medical professionals
	Petitioned for court order / CHIPS (child in need of		Supervised visitation
	protection or services)		Case remains open for services
	Placement into foster home	\boxtimes	Case closed by agency
	Placement with relatives		Initiated efforts to address or enhance community
	Ongoing Services case management		collaboration on CA/N cases
-			Other (describe):

FOR DSP COMPLETION IF RECORD OR ON-SITE REVIEW WAS UNDERTAKEN:

Summary of policy or practice changes to address issues identified based on the record or on-site review of the incident: $N\!/\!A$

Recommendations for further changes in policies, practices, rules or statutes needed to address identified issues based on the record or on-site review:

N/A

Yes No Not Applicable This 90-day summary report completes the Division of Safety and Permanence (DSP) action on this case.

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Case Tracking N	umber:	190215DSP-R	ROCK-900	Agency:	Rock County Human Services Department
Child Information Age: 1 year	n (at time	of incident)	Gender: 🗌 Female		
Race or Ethnicity:	White	/Caucasian			
Special Needs:	None				
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Date of Incident: 2/15/2019

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

On February 15, 2019, the agency received a report regarding a 1-year-old infant pronounced deceased in his home. The Medical Examiner's Office determined the death to be accidental. No criminal charges have been filed in this case, and the investigation remains open.

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 Initial Assessment completed by the agency found a preponderance of the evidence to substantiate maltreatment of neglect to the infant and his 3-year-old sister by their father. The Medical Examiner's Office determined the death to be accidental. The infant's sister was deemed unsafe and the agency initiated a Protective Plan. The agency subsequently discontinued the Protective Plan was and the infant's sister remained in her home after her mother was assessed as protective. The family was referred to community support services, and the agency closed the case upon completion of the Initial Assessment.

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 infant resided with his mother, father, and his 3-year-old sister.

Ves 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.) None

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.)

None

Summary of any investigation involving the child, any member of the child's family and alleged maltreater conducted under ch. 48 and any services provided to the child and child's family since the date of the incident:

The agency collaborated with law enforcement and medical personnel to complete the assessment. The Initial Assessment completed by the agency found a preponderance of the evidence to substantiate maltreatment of neglect to the infant and his 3-year-old sister by their father. The Medical Examiner's Office determined the death to be accidental. The infant's sister was deemed unsafe and the agency initiated a Protective Plan. The agency subsequently discontinued the Protective Plan was and the infant's sister remained in her home after her mother was assessed as protective. The family was referred to community support services, and the agency closed the case upon completion of the Initial Assessment.

B. Children residing in out-of-home care (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 or other actions that constitute 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.)

\boxtimes	Screening of Access report		Attempted or successful reunification
\boxtimes	Protective plan implemented	\boxtimes	Referral to services
\boxtimes	Initial assessment conducted		Transportation assistance
	Safety plan implemented	\boxtimes	Collaboration with law enforcement
	Temporary physical custody of child	\boxtimes	Collaboration with medical professionals
	Petitioned for court order / CHIPS (child in need of		Supervised visitation
	protection or services)		Case remains open for services
	Placement into foster home	\boxtimes	Case closed by agency
	Placement with relatives		Initiated efforts to address or enhance community
	Ongoing Services case management		collaboration on CA/N cases
			Other (describe):

FOR DSP COMPLETION IF RECORD OR ON-SITE REVIEW WAS UNDERTAKEN:

Summary of policy or practice changes to address issues identified based on the record or on-site review of the incident: $N\!/\!A$

Recommendations for further changes in policies, practices, rules or statutes needed to address identified issues based on the record or on-site review:

N/A

Yes No Not Applicable This 90-day summary report completes the Division of Safety and Permanence (DSP) action on this case.

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Case Tracking N	lumber:	1900222DSP-	SAUK-902	Agency:	Sauk County Department of Human Services
Child Informatio Age: <u>1 Year</u>	n (at time	of incident)	Gender: 🛛 Female	e 🗌 Male	
Race or Ethnicity	White	/Caucausian			
Special Needs:	None				
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Date of Incident: 02/22/2019

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

On February 22, 2019, the agency received a report regarding a 1-year-old infant pronounced deceased at the hospital. Law enforcement was contacted and initiated a criminal investigation. The Medical Examiner's Office determined the death to be accidental. No criminal charges have been filed in this case, and the investigation remains open.

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 Initial Assessment completed by the agency found a preponderance of the evidence to substantiate maltreatment of neglect to the infant by her mother. The Medical Examiner's Office determined the death to be accidental. The agency determined the infant's grandfather's wife's 13-year-old daughter, 11-year-old son, and 5-year-old daughter, who resided in the same household, to be safe and those children remained with the infant's grandfather. The family was referred to community support services, and the agency closed the case upon the completion of the Initial Assessment.

Yes No Criminal investigation pending or completed? Yes 🛛 No Criminal charges filed? If yes, against whom?

Child's residence at the time of incident: X 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 infant resided with her mother, her grandfather, her grandfather's wife, and her grandfather's wife's 13-year-old daughter, 11-year-old son, and 5-year-old daughter. The infant did not have contact with her father.

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.) None

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.)

On February 25, 2014, the agency screened-in a CPS Report alleging physical abuse to the now 13-year-old daughter, 11-year-old son, and 5-year-old daughter of the infant's grandfather's wife by an unknown maltreater. An assessment was completed by the agency and the allegations of physical abuse were unsubstantiated. The case was closed upon completion of the Initial Assessment.

On February 23, 2018, the agency screened-out a Services Report.

On October 21, 2017, the agency screened-out a CPS Report.

On September 17, 2017, the agency screened-out a CPS Report.

On April 12, 2017, the agency screened-out a CPS Report.

On October 17, 2016, the agency screened-out a CPS Report.

On August 9, 2017, the agency screened-out a Services Report.

On March 1, 2016, the agency screened-out a Services Report.

On December 1, 2014, the agency screened-out a Services Report.

On July 1, 2013, the agency screened-out a CPS Report.

Summary of any investigation involving the child, any member of the child's family and alleged maltreater conducted under ch. 48 and any services provided to the child and child's family since the date of the incident:

The agency collaborated with law enforcement and medical personnel to complete the assessment. The Initial Assessment completed by the agency found a preponderance of the evidence to substantiate maltreatment of neglect to the infant by her mother. The Medical Examiner's Office determined the death to be accidental. The agency determined the infant's grandfather's wife's 13-year-old daughter, 11-year-old son, and 5-year-old daughter, who resided in the same household, to be safe and those children remained with the infant's grandfather. The family was referred to community support services, and the agency closed the case upon the completion of the Initial Assessment.

B. Children residing in out-of-home care (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 or other actions that constitute 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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\times	Screening of Access report		Attempted or successful reunification
	Protective plan implemented	\square	Referral to services
\boxtimes	Initial assessment conducted		Transportation assistance
	Safety plan implemented	\boxtimes	Collaboration with law enforcement
	Temporary physical custody of child	\boxtimes	Collaboration with medical professionals
	Petitioned for court order / CHIPS (child in need of		Supervised visitation
	protection or services)		Case remains open for services
	Placement into foster home	\boxtimes	Case closed by agency
	Placement with relatives		Initiated efforts to address or enhance community
	Ongoing Services case management		collaboration on CA/N cases
			Other (describe):

FOR DSP COMPLETION IF RECORD OR ON-SITE REVIEW WAS UNDERTAKEN:

Summary of policy or practice changes to address issues identified based on the record or on-site review of the incident: $N\!/\!A$

Recommendations for further changes in policies, practices, rules or statutes needed to address identified issues based on the record or on-site review:

N/A

Yes No Not Applicable This 90-day summary report completes the Division of Safety and Permanence (DSP) action on this case.