



Tennessee Department of Children's Services  
**Notice of Child Death/Near Death**

Case # 2014.156

Intake #:	██████████	Investigation #:	██████████	Date of Referral:	09/24/2014	
Type: (Please check one)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DEATH	<input type="checkbox"/> NEAR DEATH	Date of Death/Near Death:	09/23/2014		
Child's Name:	██████████	DOB:	██████████	Person ID:	██████████	
Gender:	<input type="checkbox"/> Male	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Female	Race/Ethnicity:	White (Non Hispanic)	County/Region:	██████████
Parents' Names:	Mother:	██████████	Father:	██████████		
Alleged Perpetrator's Name:	██████████		Relationship to Victim:	██████████		
Child in custody at time of incident?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Adjudication:	N/A		
If child is in DCS custody, list placement type and name:	N/A					

**Describe (in detail) circumstances surrounding death/near death:**

The Department received a referral today concerning the allegation of Neglect Death (intake # ██████████; investigation ██████████). The alleged child victim was ██████████ (2 months old). The alleged perpetrator was listed as the birth father, ██████████. According to the Medical Examiner's Office, ██████████ did not have any marks or bruises; "there is no evidence of foul play, trauma, abuse or neglect." ██████████ (investigator with the Medical Examiner's Office), who made the scene both at the hospital (██████████) and the home, ██████████. According to ██████████ is the primary caregiver. ██████████ gave ██████████ a bottle at about 4:45 AM yesterday. He then played with her and put her back to bed. ██████████ slept with her parents on a pillow in their bed. ██████████ woke up and left the home for work at about 9:30 AM. She reported ██████████ was fine at that time. ██████████ woke up about 45 minutes later and realized ██████████ was not responsive. A call was made to 911 at 10:13 AM. ██████████ was transported to ██████████ where she was pronounced dead.

**If this is a near death certified by a physician, identify physician by name and provide contact information:**

Name of Physician:	N/A	Telephone #	( ) -
Street Address:	N/A	City/State/Zip:	N/A

**Describe (in detail) interview with family:**

The child, ██████████ was observed playing with his toys in his bedroom. Investigator spoke to ██████████ but he only stared and didn't say much, and would not stay in the bedroom alone with investigator. From observation there were no scars or bruising on ██████████ He seemed very attached to both parents, and he continued to stare when he would see his father cry. His father, ██████████ tried to hide his tears. ██████████, also ask his mother what was wrong with his father. Investigator even heard ██████████ ask his father a couple times, "Where is my sister"? He would then leave and go to the back and return again and asked his mother, ██████████, "Where is ██████████ would just say, "██████████ is not here right now", and he would asked again. It seemed ██████████ would ignor his question to keep from telling him ██████████ was not coming back. ██████████ was wearing blue shorts, a comic T-shirt and no shoes. He appeared healthy.

Investigator tried speaking with ██████████, but he was very emotional and he stated he woke up to ██████████ and she seemed asleep, but when he went to pick her up she did not move. ██████████ became very emotional and could no longer speak about what happened. Investigator tried to interview the family separate, but considering the circumstances, they all agreed it was not a good time and no-one had anything to hide, so they would all be talking together.

██████████ stated she was not home, she was at work. She stated she received a call from a fireman, who was in her home after the ambulance arrived. The fireman stayed in the home with her son, ██████████ until her brother could get to the home to get ██████████ as she was at work. ██████████ stated she was told by the fireman that her husband had left the home with paramedics and she needed to come home. She reported she was hysterical, and called her brother to get to the home because something was wrong with the baby. The brother arrived at the home a short time later (Unknown time) and got ██████████ and took ██████████ back to his home. The mother, ██████████, stated she went straight to the hospital with her supervisor driving because she was so emotional. ██████████ stated when she arrived, ██████████ had already been pronounced

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dead. [redacted] stated after all of this, her husband explained he had woke up like usual to get both [redacted] ready for daycare. According to [redacted] told her he had grabbed his phone and had looked at facebook for a minute. He then was going to get [redacted] (the three year old), but decided he would get [redacted] a bottle before waking them up. [redacted] told his wife, when he returned to the room, [redacted] head appeared to be pale looking to him, so he went to get her and she did not respond. [redacted] stated after that [redacted] stated he was panicking and shaking the baby, and he then called 911 and they were walking him through what to do. [redacted] told [redacted], he had undressed [redacted] and started CPR but by this time, the paramedics had arrived at their home and they took over. [redacted] stated her husband did not call her, the fireman that was left behind had called her to come home. [redacted] stated her husband is very emotional and has not been himself since the hospital pronounced [redacted] dead. [redacted] stated they are going to seek counseling because she does not want her husband to slip into depression and blame himself, nor does she want to lose her marriage over their child's death and she still has baby [redacted] to care for. Investigator inquired and asked where was the baby sleeping and she stated the bed. She never clarified what bed, but according to the medical examiners report the child may have slept with the parents some nights. [redacted] then also became emotional and seemed irritated by all of the questioning, so out of respect for the family, investigator asked [redacted] if we could continue the conversation on another day, as the family had visitors the entire time, and they were trying to plan for the memorial service.

If child was hospitalized, describe (in detail) DCS involvement during hospitalization:

N/A

Describe disposition of body (Death):		[redacted] Medical Examiner		
Name of Medical Examiner/Coroner:		[redacted]		Was autopsy requested? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
Did CPS open an investigation on this Death/Near Death?		<input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes		
Was there DCS involvement at the time of Death/Near Death?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Type:	N/A	Case #:	N/A	

Describe law enforcement or court involvement, if applicable:

N/A

Describe (in detail) action taken to ensure safety of other children (list names and ages of surviving children) and/or victim (Near Death) (attach safety plan, if applicable):

The Department did not have any concerns about the safety of [redacted]. He has his own room and a toddler bed to sleep in.

Name: [redacted]	Age: 3 years old
Name:	Age:

Prior DCS involvement with the family. Include dates, type, case #s, allegations, victims, perpetrators (if applicable), and classifications/adjudications (if applicable):

Date	Case #	Allegations	Victims	Perpetrators	Classification/Adj
N/A / /					
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Any media inquiry or is attention expected?  No  Yes List organizations requesting information: N/A





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**Intake**

Intake ID: [REDACTED]  
 Intake Taken By: [REDACTED] Intake Date/Time: 09/24/2014 11:23 AM CT  
 Track Assigned: Investigation Priority Assigned: 1  
 Screened By: [REDACTED]  
 Date Screened: 09/24/2014

**Investigation**

Investigation ID: [REDACTED]  
 First County/Region: [REDACTED]  
 Date/Time Assigned : 09/25/2014 08:20 AM  
 First Team Leader Assigned: [REDACTED] Date/Time 09/25/2014 12:00 AM  
 First Case Manager [REDACTED] Date/Time 09/25/2014 12:00 AM

**Allegations**

Alleged Victim	Age	Allegation	Severe ?	Alleged Perpetrator	Relationship to Alleged Victim
[REDACTED]	1 Yr 1 Mos	Neglect Death	Yes	[REDACTED]	Birth Mother

**Referent(s)**

Referent Name: [REDACTED] Role to Alleged Victim(s): [REDACTED]

Referent Address: [REDACTED]

Referent Phone Number: [REDACTED]

Type of Contact: Facsimile

Notification: None

Narrative: **\*\* FAX REPORT\*\* TYPED VERBATIM\*\***  
 TFACTS: No History Found (based on information provided)

Family Case IDs:

Open Court Custody/FSS/FCIP No

Closed Court Custody No

Open CPS - No

Substantiated No

Death No



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Screened out No

History (not listed above): No

County: [REDACTED]

Notification: None

School/ Daycare: Unknown

Native American Descent: No

Directions: None Given

Reporter's name/relationship: [REDACTED]

Reporter states: [REDACTED] was found unresponsive in bed by her father, [REDACTED] on the morning of 9/23/14 at their home [REDACTED] Fire Department Ambulance transported the baby to [REDACTED] in full arrest, where she was pronounced dead at 1058hrs. I responded for the Medical Examiner, and I spoke with the parents, police, conducted a SUIDI interview, and performed a re-enactment at the home. There is no evidence of foul play, trauma, abuse, or neglect. Co-sleeping was a factor. Autopsy results are pending at this time.

SSMS: [REDACTED]: negative \*\* [REDACTED]: negative

Per SDM: Investigative Track, P1-(severe)- [REDACTED], Team Leader, 9/24/14 @ 11:45 am

EI DCS Child Death or Preliminary Near Death Alert group notified via email

Regional Administrator [REDACTED] notified via email



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**Participant(s)**

**Name:** [REDACTED]

Gender: Male

Date of Birth: [REDACTED]

Participant ID: [REDACTED]

SSN: Race: Age: 37 Yrs

Address:

Deceased Date:

School/ ChildCare Comments:

Alleged Perpetrator: Yes

DCS Foster Child: No

Contact:

Contact Type:

Contact Comments:

**External History Search Results:**

**DCS History Search Results:**

**DCS Intake Search Results:**



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**Name:** [REDACTED]

**Gender:** Female

**Date of Birth:** [REDACTED]

**Partipant ID:** [REDACTED]

**SSN:**

**Race:** Unable to

**Age:** 1 Yr 1 Mos

**Address:** [REDACTED]

**Deceased Date:**

**School/ ChildCare Comments:**

**Alleged Perpetrator:** No

**DCS Foster Child:** No

**Contact:**

**Contact Type:**

**Contact Comments:**

**External History Search Results:**

**DCS History Search Results:**

**DCS Intake Search Results:**



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**Child Protective Service Investigation Summary**  
**and Classification Decision of Child Abuse/Neglect Referral**

**A. Investigation**

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Referral Date: 09/24/2014  
 Street Address:  
 City/State/Zip:

Investigation ID: [REDACTED]  
 Assignment Date: 06/23/2015

**B. Allegation**

#	Children's Name	DOB	Specific Allegation for Each Child	Alleged Perpetrator's Name	DOB	Classification	Severe Abuse	Classified By
		SSN			SSN			Classified Date
1	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Neglect Death	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Allegation Unsubstantiated / Perpetrator Unsubstantiated	Yes	[REDACTED] 02/26/2015

**C. Disposition Decision**

Disposition Decision: Assessed and Closed

Comments: The allegations of Neglect Death are unsubstantiated against the father, as the autopsy findings stated the cause of death was not determined

**D. Case Workers**

Case Worker: [REDACTED]

Date: 03/11/2015

Team Leader: [REDACTED]

Date: 03/11/2015

**E. Investigation Summary**

**Instruction: Condense the finding rationale for each allegation relative to the child victim(s). Be sure to identify the facts that provided for the classification decision.**

**Summarize the key points and dates of the child or children's statements and/or the observation of the child or children's physical state or home environment:**

Investigator made response time to the family home of [REDACTED] but the child Acv [REDACTED] had expired and was not at the home but had already

been transferred to the coroner's office. Investigator interviewed the parents and observed the brother, as he was too young to be interviewed.

**Summarize professional, medical or psychological findings or opinions: What is the collateral's oral or written finding/opinion of the incident(s)/allegation(s)?**

The cause of death was not determined and according to the external Examination of the Autopsy and the extremities all appeared normal and developed with no apparent signs of trauma. The autopsy findings suggested the circumstances as the cause of death could not be determined, however asphyxial death cannot be excluded, therefore the manner of death is undetermined.

**Summarize alleged perpetrator's statement or admission: What is the perpetrator's explanation of the incident(s)/allegation(s)?**



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Investigation ID: ██████████

██████████ was home when investigator arrived. According to ██████████ he stated he has not grieved and he is still in shock about his daughter no longer being here. Investigator asked ██████████ if he could recap what happened, and he stated all he knows is that his wife was gone to work and he was home with the children. ██████████ stated he woke up like usual to get both ██████████ ready for daycare. He stated he grabbed his phone and looked at facebook for a minute, and was going to get ██████████ (his son), but decided he would get ██████████ a bottle before waking them up. She stated when he returned to the room, ██████████ head appeared to be pale looking to him, so when he went to get her, she didn't respond ██████████ stated he was panicking and shaking the baby, and he then called 911 and they were walking him through what to do. ██████████ stated he undressed ██████████ and started CPR but by this time, the paramedics had arrived to take over. ██████████ stated he never called his wife because he was so concerned about his daughter he never thought to call her, but later he was told that the paramedics called her and that's how she learned what happened. ██████████ stated he is so torn and unhappy and hurt by this. He stated ██████████ was sleeping beside him and he has never rolled over on her and he doesn't feel he rolled on her this time. He stated he does not sleep that hard. ██████████ stated ██████████ has her crib, but her mother placed her in the bed before she went to work that morning. He stated it had to be something else because it was not from him suffocating her, it couldn't have been. He stated he wants the autopsy to come back, because he could not live with himself knowing that they have stated he suffocated her. ██████████ stated he is so sorry his baby girl is gone

**Summarize witnesses' descriptions of what they saw and what they believe indicates child abuse/neglect:**

██████████ stated she was not home, she was at work. She stated she received a call from a fireman, who was in her home after the ambulance arrived and the fireman stayed in the home with her son ██████████ until her brother could get to the home to get ██████████, as she was at work. ██████████ stated she was told by the fireman that her husband left with paramedics and that she needed to come home. She stated she was hysterical, and called her brother to get to the home because something was wrong with the baby. The brother arrived at the home a short time later (Unknown time) and got ██████████ and took ██████████ back to his home. The mother ██████████ stated she went straight to the hospital with her supervisor driving because she was very emotional. ██████████ stated when she arrived, ██████████ was already pronounced dead. ██████████ stated after all of this, her husband explained that he woke up like usual to get both ██████████ ready for daycare. She stated he stated he grabbed his phone and looked at facebook for a minute, and was going to get ██████████ but decided he would get ██████████ a bottle before waking them up. She stated ██████████ stated when he returned to the room, ██████████ head appeared to be pale looking to him, so when he went to get her, she didn't respond ██████████ stated after that ██████████ stated he was panicking and shaking the baby, and he then called 911 and they were walking him through what to do. She stated dad then said he undressed her and started CPR but by this time, the paramedics had arrived to take over. She stated her husband didn't call her, the fireman that was left behind called her to come home. ██████████ stated her husband is very emotional and has not been himself since the pronouncing of the baby's death. ██████████ stated they are going to seek counseling because she doesn't want her husband to slip into depression and blame himself, nor she doesn't want to lose her marriage over their child's death and she still has baby ██████████ to care for. Investigator inquired and asked where was the baby sleeping and she stated the bed. She never clarified what bed, but according to the medical examiners report the child may have slept with the parents some nights. ██████████ also became emotional and seemed irritated by all of the questioning, so out of respect, investigator asked ██████████ if we could speak another day, as the family had visitors the entire time, and was trying to plan for the memorial service.

**Summarize any other evidence or factors that support the investigative finding(s) for the allegation(s) of abuse/neglect:**

Investigator spoke with the mother ██████████ and advised about the medical records. ██████████ signed authorizations to release medical records for ██████████. According to ██████████, ██████████ had only been to the doctor once and received her first rounds of vaccinations, and there were no other medical concerns. ██████████ attends the same physicians office, ██████████. The medical records were requested on 3/18/2015 on both ██████████. A certified copy of Autopsy report was received and the cause of death was stated as could not be determined. The case was returned to CPIT Review on 3/11/2015 and signed and dated by the District Attorney as Handle as appropriate. The mother ██████████ was very excited and disclosed she and her husband are pregnant again and she is only about 6 weeks. The case is complete and



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being submitted for review.

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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed

Contact Date: 07/14/2015

Contact Method:

Contact Time: 05:05 PM

Contact Duration:

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location:

Created Date: 07/14/2015

Completed date: 07/14/2015

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being

Contact Type(s): Administrative Review

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 07/14/2015 05:06 PM Entered By: [REDACTED]

This CPS/CPIT investigation has been completed by CPSI [REDACTED]. I have completed my review of this case and all investigative tasks have been completed.

The case was presented to CPIT Team and they made a collective decision for the allegation of Neglect Death to be classified as unsubstantiated.

Due to the allegation of Neglect Death, this case was submitted to IC, [REDACTED] for further review. Once [REDACTED]' review is complete, this investigation will be submitted to RID [REDACTED] for further review. Once [REDACTED] review is completed this case will be closed and a classified CS-740 will be sent to Juvenile Court for notification to the Judge and the DA.



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Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED]

Status: Completed

Contact Date: 06/10/2015

Contact Method:

Contact Time: 05:00 PM

Contact Duration: Less than 30

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location:

Created Date: 06/10/2015

Completed date: 06/12/2015

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Well Being

Contact Type(s): Case Summary

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 06/10/2015 05:02 PM Entered By: [REDACTED]

Child Death Closing Summary:

The Department of Children Services received a referral on 9/25/2014 as allegation Neglect Child Death and [REDACTED] as the Alleged Child Victim. [REDACTED] received Intake ID# [REDACTED] on [REDACTED] on 9/24/2014 with the allegations of neglect death. The case alleges [REDACTED] the biological father as the alleged perpetrator.

On 9/23/2014 [REDACTED] was found unresponsive in bed by her father, [REDACTED] on the morning of 9/23/14 at their home, [REDACTED] Fire Department Ambulance transported the baby to [REDACTED] in full arrest, where she was pronounced dead at 10:58hrs. I responded for the Medical Examiner, and I spoke with the parents, police, conducted a SUIDI interview, and performed a re-enactment at the home. There is no evidence of foul play, trauma, abuse, or neglect. Co-sleeping was a factor. Autopsy results are pending at this time. The parents were informed of the deceased [REDACTED] was also informed. Their causes were Cardiopulmonary arrest; Sudden infant death

Child Protection Investigator [REDACTED] was fully involved in this case, along with Lead Investigator [REDACTED] and Investigative Coordinator, [REDACTED]; there were no criminal charges and there was no criminal investigation from Law enforcement.

The alleged perpetrator is named as the father [REDACTED] Interviews were conducted with the mother [REDACTED], the father, [REDACTED] and the collaterals, [REDACTED] who is the brother of [REDACTED]

Collateral Interview: [REDACTED] was interviewed on 9/30/2014 and stated he arrived at the family home after being called by his sister to go to the home because something wasn't right. [REDACTED] stated he arrived at the home and was told by the paramedic that [REDACTED] was in distress. [REDACTED] stated he dressed [REDACTED] & him home with him. [REDACTED] stated the mother and father are great parents and it was nothing the father or mother did to [REDACTED] She died of infant death syndrome or something, but it was not foul play. [REDACTED] was very emotional as well and stated he loved [REDACTED] and she was so precious and the family will miss her

The referent was contacted about [REDACTED] and stated [REDACTED] was found unresponsive in bed by her father, [REDACTED] on 9/23/14 at their home, [REDACTED]. The referent stated the necessary



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Case Status: Close

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steps were taken by the parent and emergency services were called and ██████████ was transported to ██████████ hospital by ambulance and was pronounced dead at the hospital. The referent stated the child's body would be taken to the medical examiners office and the results would be forwarded when complete. The referent stated at this time, there seem to be no evidence of foul play, trauma, abuse, or neglect. Co-sleeping may have been a factor from what was disclosed, however an autopsy would be completed.

On 9/25/2014; ██████████ contacted ██████████ about the allegations and informed her about the investigation and asked if a face to face could take place at the home. ██████████ (recently Married) stated that a short visit was possible, but it needed to be short as the family was grieving and they were making funeral arrangements. Investigator tried speaking with ██████████ but he was very emotional and he stated he woke up to ██████████ and she seemed asleep, but when he went to pick her up she did not move. ██████████ became very emotional and could no longer weak about what happened. Investigator tried to interview the family separate, but considering the circumstances, they all agreed it was not a good time and no-one has anything to hide, so they would all be talking together.

On 10/9/2014; Investigator was contacted and asked to come to the family home so they could speak with investigator and put this behind them so they no longer had to go over the details again. ██████████ was home when investigator arrived. According to ██████████, he stated he has not grieved and he is still in shock about his daughter no longer being here. Investigator asked ██████████ if he could recap what happened, and he stated all he knows is that his wife was gone to work and he was home with the children. ██████████ stated he woke up like usual to get both ██████████ ready for daycare. He stated he grabbed his phone and looked at facebook for a minute, and was going to get ██████████ (his son), but decided he would get ██████████ a bottle before waking them up. She stated when he returned to the room, ██████████ head appeared to be pale looking to him, so when he went to get her, she didn't respond. ██████████ stated he was panicking and shaking the baby, and he then called 911 and they were walking him through what to do. ██████████ stated he undressed ██████████ and started CPR but by this time, the paramedics had arrived to take over. ██████████ stated he never called his wife because he was so concerned about his daughter he never thought to call her, but later he was told that the paramedics called her and that's how she learned what happened. ██████████ stated he is so torn and unhappy and hurt by this. He stated ██████████ was sleeping beside him and he has never rolled over on her and he doesn't feel he rolled on her this time. He stated he does not sleep that hard. ██████████ stated ██████████ has her crib, but her mother placed her in the bed before she went to work that morning. He stated it had to be something else because it was not from him suffocating her, it couldn't have been. He stated he wants the autopsy to come back, because he could not live with himself knowing that they have stated he suffocated her. ██████████ stated he is so sorry his baby girl is gone

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On 9/29/2014 @ 9:00AM; ██████████ Child Protective investigation Team convened and discussed the case and determined that Department of children Services should handle the case as appropriate.

On 3/11/2015 @ 9:00AM ██████████ Protective investigation Team convened in the case of ██████████ and returned and signed by District Attorney ██████████ as No Prosecute and allegation unsubstantiated/perpetrator unsubstantiated

The father's emotional state at the time of the incident was very emotional and hurt that his daughter had just been pronounced dead.

There is not a preponderance of evidence to substantiate the allegation of child neglect death. The cause of death according to the medical examiner's report is undetermined, and the manner of death could not be determined. The pathology reports stated Pulmonary Congestion. The autopsy revealed no traumatic injuries. The organs appeared to be normally developed and the toxicology was negative for alcohol, drugs or abuse. ██████████ Vitreous electrolyte analysis revealed postpartum changes. Her blood culture and lung swab results were inconsistent with postpartum contamination. Based on the autopsy findings, circumstances and scene findings, the investigative information and cause of death cannot be determined. The manner of death is undetermined.



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Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

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The case will be closed and classified as Allegation Unsubstantiated and Perpetrator Unsubstantiated for the allegation of Child Neglect Death

Narrative Type: Addendum 1    Entry Date/Time: 07/14/2015 05:04 PM    Entered By: [REDACTED]

Error



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Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

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 Contact Date: 06/10/2015 Contact Method:  
 Contact Time: 05:00 PM Contact Duration:  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Created Date: 07/14/2015  
 Completed date: 07/14/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Case Summary  
 Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 07/14/2015 05:03 PM Entered By: [REDACTED]

**Child Death Closing Summary:**

The Department of Children Services received a referral on 9/25/2014 as allegation Neglect Child Death and [REDACTED] as the Alleged Child Victim [REDACTED] received Intake ID# [REDACTED] on [REDACTED] on 9/24/2014 with the allegations of neglect death. The case alleges [REDACTED], the biological father as the alleged perpetrator.

On 9/23/2014 [REDACTED] was found unresponsive in bed by her father [REDACTED] on the morning of 9/23/14 at their home, [REDACTED] Fire Department Ambulance transported the baby to [REDACTED] in full arrest, where she was pronounced dead at 10:58hrs. I responded for the Medical Examiner, and I spoke with the parents, police, conducted at SUIDI interview, and performed doll a re-enactment at the home. There is no evidence of foul play, trauma, abuse, or neglect. Co-sleeping was a factor. Autopsy results are pending at this time. The parents were informed of the deceased. [REDACTED] was also informed. Their causes were Cardiopulmonary arrest; Sudden infant death

Child Protection Investigator [REDACTED] was fully involved in this case, along with Lead Investigator [REDACTED] and Investigative Coordinator, [REDACTED]; there were no criminal charges and there was no criminal investigation from Law enforcement.

The alleged perpetrator is named as the father, [REDACTED] Interviews were conducted with the mother [REDACTED], the father, [REDACTED] and the collaterals, [REDACTED] who is the brother of [REDACTED]

Collateral Interview [REDACTED] was interviewed on 9/30/2014 and stated he arrived at the family home after being called by his sister to go to the home because something wasn't right. [REDACTED] stated he arrived at the home and was told by the paramedic that [REDACTED] was in distress. [REDACTED] stated he dressed [REDACTED] & him home with him. [REDACTED] stated the mother and father are great parents and it was nothing the father or mother did to [REDACTED] She died of infant death syndrome or something, but it was not foul play. [REDACTED] was very emotional as well and stated he loved [REDACTED] and she was so precious and the family will miss her

The referent was contacted about [REDACTED] and stated [REDACTED] was found unresponsive in bed by her father, [REDACTED] on 9/23/14 at their home, [REDACTED] The referent stated the necessary



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steps were taken by the parent and emergency services were called and ██████████ was transported to ██████████ hospital by ambulance and was pronounced dead at the hospital. The referent stated the child's body would be taken to the medical examiners office and the results would be forwarded when complete. The referent stated at this time, there seem to be no evidence of foul play, trauma, abuse, or neglect. Co-sleeping may have been a factor from what was disclosed, however an autopsy would be completed.

On 9/25/2014; ██████████ contacted ██████████ about the allegations and informed her about the investigation and asked if a face to face could take place at the home. ██████████ (recently Married) stated that a short visit was possible, but it needed to be short as the family was grieving and they were making funeral arrangements. Investigator tried speaking with ██████████ but he was very emotional and he stated he woke up to ██████████ and she seemed asleep, but when he went to pick her up she did not move ██████████ became very emotional and could no longer speak about what happened. Investigator tried to interview the family separate, but considering the circumstances, they all agreed it was not a good time and no-one has anything to hide, so they would all be talking together.

On 10/9/2014; Investigator was contacted and asked to come to the family home so they could speak with investigator and put this behind them so they no longer had to go over the details again ██████████ was home when investigator arrived. According to ██████████, he stated he has not grieved and he is still in shock about his daughter no longer being here. Investigator asked ██████████ if he could recap what happened, and he stated all he knows is that his wife was gone to work and he was home with the children. ██████████ stated he woke up like usual to get both ██████████ ready for daycare. He stated he grabbed his phone and looked at facebook for a minute, and was going to get ██████████ (his son), but decided he would get ██████████ a bottle before waking them up. She stated when he returned to the room, ██████████ head appeared to be pale looking to him, so when he went to get her, she didn't respond ██████████ stated he was panicking and shaking the baby, and he then called 911 and they were walking him through what to do. ██████████ stated he undressed ██████████ and started CPR but by this time, the paramedics had arrived to take over. ██████████ stated he never called his wife because he was so concerned about his daughter he never thought to call her, but later he was told that the paramedics called her and that's how she learned what happened. ██████████ stated he is so torn and unhappy and hurt by this. He stated ██████████ was sleeping beside him and he has never rolled over on her and he doesn't feel he rolled on her this time. He stated he does not sleep that hard. ██████████ stated ██████████ has her crib, but her mother placed her in the bed before she went to work that morning. He stated it had to be something else because it was not from him suffocating her, it couldn't have been. He stated he wants the autopsy to come back, because he could not live with himself knowing that they have stated he suffocated her. ██████████ stated he is so sorry his baby girl is gone

DCS policy Work Aid 1 defines the following criteria for Child Neglect Death:

1. Any unexplained death of a child when the cause of death is unknown or pending an autopsy report.
2. Any child death caused by abuse resulting from direct action of the child's caretaker or the consequence of the child's caretaker's failure to stop another person's direct action that resulted in the death of a child. Child deaths are always treated as severe child abuse.
3. Any child death that is result of the caretaker's failure to meet childcare responsibilities. Neglect death is always treated as severe child abuse.

On 9/29/2014 @ 9:00AM; ██████████ County Child Protective investigation Team convened and discussed the case and determined that Department of children Services should handle the case as appropriate.

On 3/11/2015 @ 9:00AM; ██████████ County Protective investigation Team convened in the case of ██████████ and returned and signed by District Attorney ██████████ as No Prosecute and allegation unsubstantiated/perpetrator unsubstantiated

The father's emotional state at the time of the incident was very emotional and hurt that his daughter had just been pronounced dead.

There is not a preponderance of evidence to substantiate the allegation of child neglect death. The cause of death according to the medical examiner's report is undetermined, and the manner of death could not be determined. The



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pathology reports stated Pulmonary Congestion. The autopsy revealed no traumatic injuries. The organs appeared to be normally developed and the toxicology was negative for alcohol, drugs or abuse. [REDACTED] Vitreous electrolyte analysis revealed postpartum changes. Her blood culture and lung swab results were inconsistent with postpartum contamination. Based on the autopsy findings, circumstances and scene findings, the investigative information and cause of death cannot be determined. The manner of death is undetermined.

The case will be closed and classified as Allegation Unsubstantiated and Perpetrator Unsubstantiated for the allegation of Child Neglect Death



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Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID:	[REDACTED]	Status:	Completed
Contact Date:	06/08/2015	Contact Method:	
Contact Time:	11:00 AM	Contact Duration:	Less than 15
Entered By:	[REDACTED]	Recorded For:	
Location:		Created Date:	06/08/2015
Completed date:	06/08/2015	Completed By:	[REDACTED]
Purpose(s):	Well Being		
Contact Type(s):	Case Summary		
Contact Sub Type:			

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 06/08/2015 10:54 AM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

**Closing Summary:**

The case was received on 9/25/2014 with the allegation of Neglect Death. The case was stamped DCS handle as appropriate during the initial CPIT Review on 9/29/2014

The case was investigated and all persons involved were interviewed. The case was staffed numerous times and corrected for errors. Many follow-ups with the family took place to assess their well being. After months of speaking with the family, the family and home were safe. The mother requested that the department not contact the family as they were healing and expecting another child. Investigator spoke with [REDACTED] over the phone about her son [REDACTED], however she was forthcoming with information, but investigator explained that as an investigator, we respect her privacy.

Investigator spoke with the mother [REDACTED] and advised about the medical records. [REDACTED] signed authorizations to release medical records for [REDACTED]. According to [REDACTED] had only been to the doctor once and received her first rounds of vaccinations, and there were no other medical concerns. [REDACTED] attends the same physicians office, [REDACTED]. The medical records were requested on 3/18/2015 on both [REDACTED]. A certified copy of Autopsy report was received and the cause of death was stated as could not be determined. The case was returned from CPIT Review on 3/11/2015 and signed and dated as Handle as appropriate by District Attorney [REDACTED] and classified as unsubstantiated. [REDACTED] was very excited and disclosed she and her husband are pregnant again and she is only about 6 weeks. The case is complete and being submitted for review.

The Medical Records are in the case file. Investigator received records from [REDACTED], however there are no medical records in file on her brother [REDACTED] however they were requested a couple times. The mother was asked and given the signed released. The mother asked for privacy and asked if she could not be contacted again about the case as it has been a while and the family is healing and getting back on track. The mother is currently expecting another child and does not want to continue dealing with this case as it would cause great stress. The medical records are in the file.

**DEATH/NEAR DEATH:**

DCS Policy defines any unexplained death of a child when the cause of death is unknown or pending an autopsy



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report;

Any child death caused by abuse resulting from direct action of the child's caretaker or the consequence of the child's caretaker's failure to stop another person's direct action that resulted in the death of a child.

The case will be closed and classified as Allegation Unsubstantiated and Perpetrator Unsubstantiated for the allegation of Child Neglect Death

Narrative Type: Addendum 1    Entry Date/Time: 07/15/2015 08:41 AM    Entered By: [REDACTED]

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Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED]

Status: Completed

Contact Date: 06/08/2015

Contact Method:

Contact Time: 10:30 AM

Contact Duration: Less than 15

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location:

Created Date: 06/08/2015

Completed date: 06/08/2015

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Well Being

Contact Type(s): Notation

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 06/08/2015 11:08 AM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

As of this date, medical records for [REDACTED] have not been received, however (ACV) [REDACTED] records are in the file. investigator requested doer the 3rd time and have been unsuccessful.



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Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED]

Status: Completed

Contact Date: 06/02/2015

Contact Method:

Contact Time: 08:30 AM

Contact Duration: Less than 15

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location:

Created Date: 06/02/2015

Completed date: 06/02/2015

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Well Being

Contact Type(s): Notation

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 06/02/2015 11:46 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

Investigator re-requested medical records and received them from [REDACTED] via fax on 6/2/2015. According to the medical report, on 9/23/2014, [REDACTED] was brought to the hospital unresponsive. The medical team tried reviving her with chest compressions but were unsuccessful. Three rounds of epinephrine was administered and no activity with the monitor. After 2 minutes still no pulse. The patient [REDACTED] was pronounced dead at 10:58AM. The parents were informed of the deceased. [REDACTED] was also informed. Their causes were Cardiapulmonary arrest; Sudden infant death.

Narrative Type: Addendum 2 Entry Date/Time: 06/08/2015 10:55 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

The Medical Records are in the case file. Investigator received records from [REDACTED], however there are no medical records in file on [REDACTED] or her brother [REDACTED] however they were requested a couple times. The mother was asked and given the signed released. The mother asked for privacy and asked if she could not be contacted again about the case as it has been a while and the family is healing and getting back on track. The mother is currently expecting another child and does not want to continue dealing with this case as it would cause great stress. The medical records are in the file.

Narrative Type: Addendum 1 Entry Date/Time: 06/02/2015 11:51 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

According to the medical records, the child appeared well developed and well nourished. The skin was completely white from head to toe, however there were no bruises. The child had no past medical history according to the reports.



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Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED]

Status: Completed

Contact Date: 05/20/2015

Contact Method: Phone Call

Contact Time: 08:30 AM

Contact Duration: Less than 15

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location:

Created Date: 05/26/2015

Completed date: 06/04/2015

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Well Being

Contact Type(s): Parent/Caretaker Interview

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 05/26/2015 08:12 AM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

Investigator contacted the mother via telephone, as the parents have asked that DCS no longer come to their home, as they are healing and would like to not be disturbed by the department. The mother stated everyone is doing fine and her pregnancy is going well. The mother stated they would just like to heal in peace and not continually be disturbed by DCS



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Case Name: [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

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Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 05/12/2015 Contact Method:  
 Contact Time: 04:47 PM Contact Duration: Less than 15  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Created Date: 05/12/2015  
 Completed date: 05/12/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Administrative Review  
 Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 05/12/2015 04:50 PM Entered By: [REDACTED]

LI has completed her review and has given permission for the investigation to remain open.



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Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 04/20/2015 Contact Method:  
 Contact Time: 11:33 AM Contact Duration: Less than 05  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Created Date: 04/20/2015  
 Completed date: 04/20/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Administrative Review  
 Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 04/20/2015 11:34 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

LI [REDACTED] has reviewed the investigation concerning the death of [REDACTED] LI has approved for the investigation to remain open so CPS [REDACTED] can complete the remaining investigative tasks.



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Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Created In Error  
 Contact Date: 03/26/2015 Contact Method:  
 Contact Time: 05:45 PM Contact Duration: Less than 15  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Created Date: 03/27/2015  
 Completed date: 03/27/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency, Safety - Child/Community, Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Case Summary  
 Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 03/27/2015 11:14 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

Investigator spoke with the mother [REDACTED] and advised about the medical records. [REDACTED] signed authorizations to release medical records for [REDACTED]. According to [REDACTED], [REDACTED] had only been to the doctor once and received her first rounds of vaccinations, and there were no other medical concerns. [REDACTED] attends the same physicians office, [REDACTED]. The medical records were requested on 3/18/2015 on both [REDACTED]. A certified copy of Autopsy report was received and the cause of death was stated as could not be determined. The case was returned to CPIT Review on 3/11/2015 and signed and dated by the District Attorney as Handle as appropriate. The mother [REDACTED] was very excited and disclosed she and her husband are pregnant again and she is only about 6 weeks. The case is complete and being submitted for review.

**DEATH/NEAR DEATH:**

DCS Policy defines any unexplained death of a child when the cause of death is unknown or pending an autopsy report; Any child death caused by abuse resulting from direct action of the child's caretaker or the consequence of the child's caretaker's failure to stop another person's direct action that resulted in the death of a child.

Narrative Type: Created In Error Entry Date/Time: 06/08/2015 11:17 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

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Narrative Type: Addendum 1 Entry Date/Time: 03/27/2015 11:38 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

Investigator spoke with [REDACTED] about [REDACTED] and she stated he was doing well. [REDACTED] stated everything is going great at home, and she didn't want any stress or anything that could upset her being in her first stages of pregnancies. Investigator did ask [REDACTED] about making another visit with [REDACTED] and she refused. [REDACTED] stated she was not trying to be mean but [REDACTED] is not in any danger and they have moved on past [REDACTED] death, however she will forever be in their memories. [REDACTED] was very pleasant and talked nice, and stated her family has received family counseling and they are doing great. She stated she appreciated DCS and everyone that played a significant part during their trying experience



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Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 03/11/2015 Contact Method:  
 Contact Time: 09:30 PM Contact Duration: Less than 05  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Created Date: 03/11/2015  
 Completed date: 03/11/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Administrative Review  
 Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 03/11/2015 09:35 PM Entered By: [REDACTED]

LI has reviewed this investigation and authorized for the investigation to remain open pending the completion of all investigative tasks.



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Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

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Recording ID:	[REDACTED]	Status:	Completed
Contact Date:	03/11/2015	Contact Method:	Correspondence
Contact Time:	01:30 PM	Contact Duration:	Less than 15
Entered By:	[REDACTED]	Recorded For:	
Location:		Created Date:	06/08/2015
Completed date:	06/08/2015	Completed By:	[REDACTED]
Purpose(s):	Well Being		
Contact Type(s):	CPIT (Child Protective Investigative Team)		
Contact Sub Type:			

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 06/08/2015 11:05 AM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

The Case of [REDACTED] was presented to CPIT on 3/11/2015 and returned and signed by District Attorney [REDACTED] as No Prosecute and allegation unsubstantiated/perpetrator unsubstantiated



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Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

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Contact Date:	02/24/2015	Contact Method:	
Contact Time:	10:30 AM	Contact Duration:	Less than 45
Entered By:	[REDACTED]	Recorded For:	
Location:		Created Date:	02/03/2015
Completed date:	03/27/2015	Completed By:	System Completed
Purpose(s):	Well Being		
Contact Type(s):	Case Summary		
Contact Sub Type:			

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 02/03/2015 09:40 AM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

Referral Assigned: The referral on [REDACTED] was assigned to investigator [REDACTED] on 9/24/2014. The allegations are Neglect Death. Investigator made response time and face to face contact with the family @ the family home [REDACTED]

Synopsis of event: The referral stated [REDACTED] was found unresponsive in the bed with her father, [REDACTED] on the morning of 9/24/2014 at their family home in [REDACTED]. The father called the [REDACTED] Fire Department and they responded to the home and performed CPR on the child and transported her to [REDACTED], where she was pronounced dead at 10:58AM. According to the referral, there was no evidence of foul play trauma, abuse or neglect. The referral according to the medical examiners officer stated co-sleeping was a factor.

Investigation Involved: [REDACTED] staffed case with Lead investigator [REDACTED] to determine contact with the family and questions to be asked. [REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED] about the allegations and informed her about the investigation and asked if a face to face could take place at the home. [REDACTED] (recently Married) stated that a short visit was possible, but it needed to be short as the family was grieving and they needed to start making funeral arrangements. [REDACTED] met with the family on 9/25/2014, as the mother stated she nor her husband wanted to discuss what happened to [REDACTED] and the details surrounding her death. because it was still shocking. The family stated they were grieving at this time.

Alleged Perpetrator:9/25/2014: [REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED] about the allegations and informed her about the investigation and asked if a face to face could take place at the home. [REDACTED] (recently Married) stated that a short visit was possible, but it needed to be short as the family was grieving and they were making funeral arrangements. 10/9/2014: [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] was home when investigator arrived. According to [REDACTED] he stated he has not grieved and he is still in shock about his daughter no longer being here. Investigator asked [REDACTED] if he could recap what happened, and he stated all he knows is that his wife was gone to work and he was home with the children. [REDACTED] stated he woke up like usual to get both [REDACTED] ready for daycare. He stated he grabbed his phone and looked at facebook for a minute, and was going to get [REDACTED] (his son), but decided he would get [REDACTED] a bottle before waking them up. She stated when he returned to the room, [REDACTED] head appeared to be pale looking to him, so when he went to get her, she didn't respond. [REDACTED] stated he was panicking and shaking



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Case Status: Close

Organization: ██████████

the baby, and he then called 911 and they were walking him through what to do. ██████████ stated he undressed ██████████ and started CPR but by this time, the paramedics had arrived to take over. ██████████ stated he never called his wife because he was so concerned about his daughter he never thought to call her, but later he was told that the paramedics called her and that's how she learned what happened. ██████████ stated he is so torn and unhappy and hurt by this. He stated ██████████ was sleeping beside him and he has never rolled over on her and he doesn't feel he rolled on her this time. He stated he does not sleep that hard. ██████████ stated ██████████ has her crib, but her mother placed her in the bed before she went to work that morning. He stated it had to be something else because it was not from him suffocating her, it couldn't have been. He stated he wants the autopsy to come back, because he could not live with himself knowing that they have stated he suffocated her. ██████████ stated he is so sorry his baby girl is gone

Details of Interview: The interview took place at the parents home at ██████████. The mother and father were interviewed about the allegations of Neglect Death, however from the initial visit, the mother and father were grieving and did not want to interview as they were preparing funeral arrangements for ██████████. After a couple weeks and after continued phone contact with the mother, ██████████, the father was ready to speak with investigator about what happened the day ██████████ expired. The interview was ██████████ description of what occurred and in what room every account of what he did up to the point of calling 911 for help. The father expressed grief and cried during the interview, but stated he was adamant he did not suffocate ██████████ while sleeping. ██████████ admitted ██████████ was co-sleeping with him at the time of her demise, however he stated he did not roll over on her and he feels she died from natural causes. ██████████ Alleged Perpetrator interview tells the story of what happened on the day of ██████████ death.

Policy: NEGLECT DEATH: DCS Policy defines any child death that is the result of the caretakers failure to meet childcare responsibilities

CPIT: The case was referred to CPIT on 9/29/2014 and determined DCS Handle as appropriate

Result of Interviews: The results of the interview and after receiving the autopsy report determined there was evidence to substantiate abuse against ██████████, as the report stated the cause of death could not be determined

Preponderance of evidence: There was no evidence to substantiate the allegations of Neglect Death. The father admitted to co-sleeping, however there was no evidence according to the medical examiners office that there was indication of abuse, neglect or trauma by the parents

Closing and Classification: The allegations of Neglect Death against ██████████ are unsubstantiated based on the medical examiner's report. The cause of death was not determined and according to the external Examination of the Autopsy and the extremities all appeared normal and developed with no apparent signs of trauma. The autopsy findings suggested the circumstances as the cause of death could not be determined, however asphyxial death cannot be excluded, therefore the manner of death is undetermined.



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Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

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Contact Time:	11:30 AM	Contact Duration:	Less than 15
Entered By:	[REDACTED]	Recorded For:	
Location:		Created Date:	06/08/2015
Completed date:	06/08/2015	Completed By:	[REDACTED]
Purpose(s):	Well Being		
Contact Type(s):	Notation		
Contact Sub Type:			

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 06/08/2015 10:58 AM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

Medical records received, scanned and summarized in TFACTS as well as in the case notes located in the file



**Tennessee Department of Children's Services**  
**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID:	[REDACTED]	Status:	Completed
Contact Date:	02/05/2015	Contact Method:	Face To Face
Contact Time:	03:30 PM	Contact Duration:	Less than 15
Entered By:	[REDACTED]	Recorded For:	
Location:	Family Home	Created Date:	02/26/2015
Completed date:	02/26/2015	Completed By:	[REDACTED]
Purpose(s):	Well Being		
Contact Type(s):	Other Child Living in the Home Interview/Observation, Parent/Caretaker Interview		
Contact Sub Type:			

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 02/26/2015 12:40 PM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

Investigator was allowed to come to the home, however they were not pleased with the visit. Investigator explained to [REDACTED] that the autopsy was back and the case was being closed but another face to face was needed. Investigator was invited back to the home, however just observation of [REDACTED] and the home, but the family did not want to talk about [REDACTED]. Investigator observed the home, which had no safety concerns from observation. The home was appropriate and [REDACTED] was dressed appropriately. Investigator thanked the family for the visit and again informed them if they wanted counseling it was still available. Investigator did not interview the family during this visit, as they refused questioning.



**Tennessee Department of Children's Services**  
**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED]

Status: Completed

Contact Date: 01/27/2015

Contact Method:

Contact Time: 09:45 AM

Contact Duration: Less than 15

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location:

Created Date: 01/27/2015

Completed date: 01/27/2015

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Well Being

Contact Type(s): Notation

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 01/27/2015 10:12 AM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

Investigator Contacted [REDACTED] to inquire about the results of the autopsy report and was told that the results were complete. Investigator faxed a request for a copy to be mailed to [REDACTED] office. Upon arrival, results will be staffed with Lead, documented and placed in file



**Tennessee Department of Children's Services**  
**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED]

Status: Completed

Contact Date: 01/21/2015

Contact Method:

Contact Time: 11:00 AM

Contact Duration: Less than 15

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location:

Created Date: 06/08/2015

Completed date: 06/08/2015

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Well Being

Contact Type(s): Notation

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 06/08/2015 11:40 AM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

Closing SDM completed and there were no immediate harm factors identified



**Tennessee Department of Children's Services**  
**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID:	[REDACTED]	Status:	Completed
Contact Date:	01/20/2015	Contact Method:	Face To Face
Contact Time:	02:45 PM	Contact Duration:	Less than 15
Entered By:	[REDACTED]	Recorded For:	
Location:	Family Home	Created Date:	01/27/2015
Completed date:	01/27/2015	Completed By:	[REDACTED]
Purpose(s):	Well Being		
Contact Type(s):	Parent/Caretaker Interview		
Contact Sub Type:			

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 01/27/2015 09:51 AM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

10:00AM: Investigator contacted [REDACTED] and asked if she needed anything from the department, and also asking if a visit could be made to the home. [REDACTED] stated she understood because investigator had already explained that until the case was closed, monthly visits was needed. [REDACTED] asked if the visit could be about 5PM on this date, as she would be home from work and she and [REDACTED] would also be home.

5:15PM: Investigator met the family at their home and observed [REDACTED] seemed very attached to his father and would not look at investigator or talk, however he was neat in appearance, he appeared well nourished and dressed appropriately. The home was clean, there were toys scattered, but not dirty. There were no safety concerns from observation.

The mother and father appeared much calm than previously. According to [REDACTED], she stated they miss [REDACTED] more than anything, and during the holiday, it was really hard. [REDACTED] stated that's why when investigator called, she did not want to be bothered and she apologized. The family was offered grief counseling once again, but stated they receive counseling through a spiritual advisor and it has helped tremendously. [REDACTED] stated he is better, but he will never be the same losing his baby girl. He stated he and the mother have talked about having another baby, but nothing is confirmed. The [REDACTED] family appeared happy and upbeat for the most part, but says things will never be the same, however they are better. [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] still asks about his sister, but he knows how to say she is Heaven with the angels. The family had no other concerns and investigator apologized again for having to make the visit, but assured the family that the autopsy should be completed soon, and they would be notified of the case being closed. The family had no other concerns



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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 01/12/2015 Contact Method:  
 Contact Time: 11:30 AM Contact Duration: Less than 05  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Created Date: 01/12/2015  
 Completed date: 01/12/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Administrative Review  
 Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 01/12/2015 11:32 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

The case of [REDACTED] has been reviewed and approved to continue to remain open pending the completion of the autopsy report.



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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED]

Status: Completed

Contact Date: 11/06/2014

Contact Method: Phone Call

Contact Time: 01:30 PM

Contact Duration: Less than 30

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location:

Created Date: 12/04/2014

Completed date: 12/04/2014

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Well Being

Contact Type(s): Parent/Caretaker Interview

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)**

[REDACTED]

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 12/04/2014 04:10 PM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] spoke with the mother, [REDACTED] regarding the medical forensics report and advised that the report was not complete. The mother stated they are coping and they really miss [REDACTED] however she has returned to work, but her husband is still having a difficult time dealing with the death. Investigator asked [REDACTED] how [REDACTED] was coping as she stated he is young and realizes that [REDACTED] is no longer at the home, and he asks for her often, but he doesn't understand she is gone for good, they have told him that [REDACTED] is with the Angels. Investigator asked [REDACTED] to call back and schedule a time that another visit could be made to the home, as monthly visits would be necessary until the case is closed. [REDACTED] stated it would be fine and she would make sure she and her husband both were home. Investigator offered condolences once again, and advised [REDACTED] her call would be greatly appreciated



**Tennessee Department of Children's Services**  
**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID:	[REDACTED]	Status:	Completed
Contact Date:	10/09/2014	Contact Method:	Face To Face
Contact Time:	01:45 PM	Contact Duration:	Less than 30
Entered By:	[REDACTED]	Recorded For:	
Location:	Family Home	Created Date:	02/26/2015
Completed date:	02/26/2015	Completed By:	[REDACTED]
Purpose(s):	Permanency, Well Being		
Contact Type(s):	Alleged Perpetrator Interview, Parent/Caretaker Interview, Other Child Living in the Home Interview/Observation		
Contact Sub Type:			

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)**

[REDACTED]

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 02/26/2015 12:04 PM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

Investigator was asked to come to the family home so they could speak with investigator and put this behind them so they no longer had to go over the details again. [REDACTED] was home when investigator arrived. According to [REDACTED], he stated he has not grieved and he is still in shock about his daughter no longer being here. Investigator asked [REDACTED] if he could recap what happened, and he stated all he knows is that his wife was gone to work and he was home with the children. [REDACTED] stated he woke up like usual to get both [REDACTED] ready for daycare. He stated he grabbed his phone and looked at facebook for a minute, and was going to get [REDACTED] (his son), but decided he would get [REDACTED] a bottle before waking them up. She stated when he returned to the room, [REDACTED] head appeared to be pale looking to him, so when he went to get her, she didn't respond. [REDACTED] stated he was panicking and shaking the baby, and he then called 911 and they were walking him through what to do. [REDACTED] stated he undressed [REDACTED] and started CPR but by this time, the paramedics had arrived to take over. [REDACTED] stated he never called his wife because he was so concerned about his daughter he never thought to call her, but later he was told that the paramedics called her and that's how she learned what happened. [REDACTED] stated he is so torn and unhappy and hurt by this. He stated [REDACTED] was sleeping beside him and he has never rolled over on her and he doesn't feel he rolled on her this time. He stated he does not sleep that hard. [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] has her crib, but her mother placed her in the bed before she went to work that morning. He stated it had to be something else because it was not from him suffocating her, it couldn't have been. He stated he wants the autopsy to come back, because he could not live with himself knowing that they have stated he suffocated her. [REDACTED] stated he is so sorry his baby girl is gone



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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED]

Status: Completed

Contact Date: 09/30/2014

Contact Method: Phone Call

Contact Time: 01:30 AM

Contact Duration: Less than 15

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location:

Created Date: 06/08/2015

Completed date: 06/08/2015

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Well Being

Contact Type(s): Collateral Contact

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 06/08/2015 10:37 AM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

Collateral:

[REDACTED]; arrived at the home and took [REDACTED] back home with him. [REDACTED] stated the mother and father are great parents and it was nothing the father or mother did to [REDACTED]. She dies of infant death syndrome or something, but it was not foul play.

[REDACTED] is the brother who arrived at the home after [REDACTED] called and asked him to go to the home and see what was wrong. [REDACTED] is the support person to the family and they all have a close relationship. [REDACTED] was very emotional as well and stated he loved [REDACTED].



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Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED]

Status: Completed

Contact Date: 09/29/2014

Contact Method: Correspondence

Contact Time: 09:00 AM

Contact Duration: Less than 30

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location:

Created Date: 06/10/2015

Completed date: 06/10/2015

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Well Being

Contact Type(s): CPIT (Child Protective Investigative Team)

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 06/10/2015 01:10 PM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

This case was reviewed in Child Protective Investigative Team on 9/29/2014 @ 9:00AM. At that time the team decided for the case to be DCS Handle as appropriate



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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED]

Status: Completed

Contact Date: 09/25/2014

Contact Method:

Contact Time: 05:00 PM

Contact Duration: Less than 15

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location:

Created Date: 09/25/2014

Completed date: 09/25/2014

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Well Being

Contact Type(s): Notation

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 09/25/2014 05:00 PM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

NOTE: According to [REDACTED] was seen by her pediatrician on 9/18/2014 and received her immunizations. There were no other concerns according to [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] had no other medical concerns



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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED]

Status: Completed

Contact Date: 09/25/2014

Contact Method:

Contact Time: 03:30 PM

Contact Duration: Less than 15

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location:

Created Date: 09/25/2014

Completed date: 09/25/2014

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Well Being

Contact Type(s): Notation

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original

Entry Date/Time: 09/25/2014 04:40 PM

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Household Composition:

[REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] (Deceased)



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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED]

Status: Completed

Contact Date: 09/25/2014

Contact Method: Attempted Face To Face

Contact Time: 12:00 PM

Contact Duration: Less than 01 Hour

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location: Family Home

Created Date: 09/25/2014

Completed date: 09/25/2014

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Permanency

Contact Type(s): Initial ACV Face To Face

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning**

[REDACTED]

**Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 09/25/2014 04:06 PM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

There was no initial face to face with [REDACTED], as the child is deceased, but face to face visit to the family's home was completed



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## Case Recording Summary

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 09/25/2014 Contact Method: Face To Face  
 Contact Time: 12:00 PM Contact Duration: Less than 01 Hour  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Family Home Created Date: 09/25/2014  
 Completed date: 09/25/2014 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Safety - Child/Community, Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Alleged Perpetrator Interview, Parent/Caretaker Interview  
 Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 09/25/2014 04:23 PM Entered By: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED] about the allegations and informed her about the investigation and asked if a face to face could take place at the home. [REDACTED] (recently Married) stated that a short visit was possible, but it needed to be short as the family was grieving and they were making funeral arrangements.

Investigator tried speaking with [REDACTED], but he was very emotional and he stated he woke up to [REDACTED] and she seemed asleep, but when he went to pick her up she did not move. [REDACTED] became very emotional and could no longer weak about what happened. Investigator tried to interview the family separate, but considering the circumstances, they all agreed it was not a good time and no-one has anything to hide, so they would all be talking together.

[REDACTED] stated she was not home, she was at work. She stated she received a call from a fireman, who was in her home after the ambulance arrived and the fireman stayed in the home with her son [REDACTED] until her brother could get to the home to get [REDACTED], as she was at work. [REDACTED] stated she was told by the fireman that her husband left with paramedics and that she needed to come home. She stated she was hysterical, and called her brother to get to the home because something was wrong with the baby. The brother arrived at the home a short time later (Unknown time) and got [REDACTED] and took [REDACTED] back to his home. The mother [REDACTED] stated she went straight to the hospital with her supervisor driving because she was very emotional. [REDACTED] stated when she arrived, [REDACTED] was already pronounced dead. [REDACTED] stated after all of this, her husband explained that he woke up like usual to get both [REDACTED] ready for daycare. She stated he stated he grabbed his phone and looked at facebook for a minute, and was going to get [REDACTED] but decided he would get [REDACTED] a bottle before waking them up. She stated [REDACTED] stated when he returned to the room, [REDACTED] head appeared to be pale looking to him, so when he went to get her, she didn't respond. [REDACTED] stated after that [REDACTED] stated he was panicking and shaking the baby, and he then called 911 and they were walking him through what to do. She stated dad then said he undressed her and started CPR but by this time, the paramedics had arrived to take over. She stated her husband didn't call her, the fireman that was left behind called her to come home. [REDACTED] stated her husband is very emotional and has not been himself since the pronouncing of the baby's death. [REDACTED] stated they are going to seek counseling because she doesn't want her husband to slip into depression and blame himself, nor she doesn't want to lose her marriage over their child's death and she still has baby [REDACTED] to care for. Investigator inquired and asked where was the baby sleeping and she stated the bed. She never clarified what bed, but according to the medical examiners report the child may have slept with the



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Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

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parents some nights. [REDACTED] also became emotional and seemed irritated by all of the questioning, so out of respect, investigator asked [REDACTED] if we could speak another day, as the family had visitors the entire time, and was trying to plan for the memorial service.

The home had a lot of boxes everywhere, and when asked about the boxes, [REDACTED] stated they were moving around and hasn't had a chance to clean and make space, but would do this after the services for [REDACTED]



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Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID:	[REDACTED]	Status:	Created In Error
Contact Date:	09/25/2014	Contact Method:	Face To Face
Contact Time:	12:00 PM	Contact Duration:	Less than 30
Entered By:	[REDACTED]	Recorded For:	
Location:	Family Home	Created Date:	12/30/2014
Completed date:	12/30/2014	Completed By:	[REDACTED]
Purpose(s):	Permanency		
Contact Type(s):	Initial ACV Face To Face		
Contact Sub Type:			

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 12/30/2014 08:58 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

Investigator made response time to the family home of [REDACTED] but the child Acv [REDACTED] had expired and was not at the home but had already been transferred to the coroner's office. Investigator interviewed the parents and observed the brother, as he was too young to be interviewed.

Narrative Type: Created In Error Entry Date/Time: 06/02/2015 09:03 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

Child was home but already in ambulance and being transported to hospital



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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Created In Error  
 Contact Date: 09/25/2014 Contact Method: Face To Face  
 Contact Time: 12:00 PM Contact Duration: Less than 30  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Family Home Created Date: 06/02/2015  
 Completed date: 06/02/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Initial ACV Face To Face  
 Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning**

[REDACTED]

**Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 06/02/2015 09:06 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

Investigator made response time to the family home of [REDACTED]. The child had expired when investigator arrived at the home, however [REDACTED] was home but being transported by ambulance to the hospital

Narrative Type: Created In Error Entry Date/Time: 06/02/2015 09:19 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

Entered wrong date



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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED]

Status: Completed

Contact Date: 09/25/2014

Contact Method: Face To Face

Contact Time: 11:50 AM

Contact Duration: Less than 15

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location: Family Home

Created Date: 09/25/2014

Completed date: 09/25/2014

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Well Being

Contact Type(s): Sibling Interview/Observation

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 09/25/2014 04:28 PM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

The child [REDACTED] was observed playing with his toys in his bedroom. Investigator spoke to [REDACTED] but he only stared and didn't say much, and would not stay in the bedroom alone with investigator. From observation there were no scars or bruising on [REDACTED]. He seemed very attached to both parents, and he continued to stare when he would see his father cry, but his father tried to hide his tears. [REDACTED] did however ask his mother what was wrong with his father. Investigator even heard [REDACTED] ask his father a couple times, where is my sister? Then again he went in the back and came back and asked his mother, where is [REDACTED]. The mother just said, [REDACTED] is not here right now, and he asked again, and it seems the mother ignored him to keep from telling him [REDACTED] was not coming back. [REDACTED] was wearing blue shorts, a comic T-shirt and no shoes. He appeared healthy.



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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED]

Status: Completed

Contact Date: 09/25/2014

Contact Method:

Contact Time: 10:30 AM

Contact Duration: Less than 15

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location:

Created Date: 06/08/2015

Completed date: 06/08/2015

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Well Being

Contact Type(s): Notation

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 06/08/2015 10:32 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

Initial SDM completed on [REDACTED] on 9/25/2014 and Conditionally Safe

Narrative Type: Addendum 1 Entry Date/Time: 06/08/2015 10:48 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

This case manager explained and provided [REDACTED], birth mother with copies of The Client Rights Handbook, HIPPA Notice of Privacy Practices, and the Notification of Equal Process to Programs and Services and Grievance Procedures. The mother signed the Native American Veto Verification Form and the Authorization for Release of Information.



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## Case Recording Summary

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED]

Status: Completed

Contact Date: 09/24/2014

Contact Method: Attempted Face To Face

Contact Time: 03:30 PM

Contact Duration: Less than 15

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location: Family Home

Created Date: 02/26/2015

Completed date: 02/26/2015

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Well Being

Contact Type(s): Initial ACV Face To Face

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning**

[REDACTED]

**Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 02/26/2015 02:38 PM Entered By: [REDACTED]

Initial face to Face was not successful at the famil'y's home as the child had been transported to the medical examiners office after being transported from [REDACTED] Hospital



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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID:	[REDACTED]	Status:	System Completed
Contact Date:	09/24/2014	Contact Method:	
Contact Time:	03:30 PM	Contact Duration:	Less than 15
Entered By:	[REDACTED]	Recorded For:	
Location:		Created Date:	06/02/2015
Completed date:	06/03/2015	Completed By:	System Completed
Purpose(s):			
Contact Type(s):	Initial ACV Face To Face		
Contact Sub Type:			

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type:	Original	Entry Date/Time:		Entered By:	
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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 09/24/2014 Contact Method: Phone Call  
 Contact Time: 03:00 PM Contact Duration:  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Created Date: 07/09/2015  
 Completed date: 07/09/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Referent Interview  
 Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 07/09/2015 08:10 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]  
 CPSI contacted referent concerning the referral. The referent reported they did not have anything to add to the referral.



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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED]

Status: Completed

Contact Date: 09/24/2014

Contact Method:

Contact Time: 12:00 PM

Contact Duration: Less than 30

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location:

Created Date: 09/25/2014

Completed date: 09/25/2014

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Safety - Child/Community, Well Being

Contact Type(s): Case Summary

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 09/25/2014 04:04 PM Entered By: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] received Intake ID# [REDACTED] on [REDACTED] on 9/24/2014 with the allegations of neglect death. The case alleges [REDACTED] the biological father as the alleged perpetrator. The family resides at [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] will make contact with the family as well as the medical examiner and [REDACTED] to inquire about the family's history and background. [REDACTED] contacted the medical examiners office to retrieve demographic information on the family as it was not listed in the referral. TFACTS was completed and there is no history on the family, nor is their criminal history on the mother or father. Response time will be met @ 9/25/2014



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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 09/24/2014 Contact Method:  
 Contact Time: 11:23 AM Contact Duration: Less than 05  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Created Date: 03/31/2015  
 Completed date: 03/31/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Administrative Review  
 Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 03/31/2015 12:32 PM Entered By: [REDACTED]

The Department of Children Services received a referral concerning the allegation of Neglect Death. The alleged victim is [REDACTED]. The alleged perpetrator is [REDACTED]. This case was assigned to [REDACTED] LI, [REDACTED]. The referent was notified via CARAT. Juvenile Court and the District Attorney are notified of referrals and classification within 7 days per local protocol and policy.



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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED]

Status: Completed

Contact Date: 09/24/2014

Contact Method:

Contact Time: 10:30 AM

Contact Duration: Less than 15

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location:

Created Date: 06/08/2015

Completed date: 06/08/2015

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Well Being

Contact Type(s): Notation

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning****Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 06/08/2015 10:46 AM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

Criminal History Background Checks:

[REDACTED] JSSI

2012/ Violtion of Vehicle Registration  
 2011: Driving While License Suspeded  
 2011: Violation Vehicle Registration  
 2010: Violation Financial responsibility  
 2004: Limitations on turning  
 2002: Speeding

Meth &amp; Sex Offender Registry: NEGATIVE

[REDACTED]: JSSI

2003: Driving on Roadways Laned for Traffic  
 1997: Possession of Control Substance

Meth &amp; Sex Offender NEGATIVE



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**Case Recording Summary**

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Case Id:	██████████	Case Name:	██████████
Case Status:	Close	Organization:	██████████

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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED]

Status: Completed

Contact Date: 09/24/2014

Contact Method: Face To Face

Contact Time: 09:30 AM

Contact Duration: Less than 15

Entered By: [REDACTED]

Recorded For:

Location: Family Home

Created Date: 06/09/2015

Completed date: 06/09/2015

Completed By: [REDACTED]

Purpose(s): Safety - Child/Community, Well Being

Contact Type(s): Initial ACV Face To Face

Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning**

[REDACTED]

**Participant(s)****Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 06/09/2015 04:40 PM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

Per Work Aid 2 "Note: It is not required for the DCS case manager to observe the deceased child"



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**Assessment**

Family Name: [REDACTED]  
 County: [REDACTED]  
 Date of Referral: 9/24/14 11:23 AM  
 Assessment Type: Initial

TN DCS Intake ID #: [REDACTED]  
 Worker:  
 Date of Assessment: 9/25/14 12:00 AM  
 Number of Children in the Household: 2

**Section 1: Immediate Harm Factors**

Directions: The following factors are behaviors or conditions that may be associated with a child being in immediate danger of serious harm. Identify the presence of absence of each factor by making either "yes" or "no". Note: The vulnerability of each child needs to be considered throughout the assessment. Children ages zero through six cannot protect themselves. For older children, inability to protect themselves could result from diminished mental or physical capacity or repeated victimization.

Yes No

1. Caretaker caused serious physical harm to the child, or made a plausible threat to cause serious physical harm in the current investigation indicated by (check all that apply):
- Serious injury or abuse to child other than accidental.
  - Death of a child due to abuse or neglect.
  - Care taker fears that s/he will maltreat the child.
  - Threat to cause harm or retaliate against the child.
  - Excessive discipline or physical force.
  - Drug-affected infant/child.
  - Methamphetamine lab exposure.
2. Child sexual abuse is suspected, and circumstances suggest that the child's safety may be of immediate concern.
3. Caretaker fails to protect the child from serious harm or threatened harm by others. This may include physical abuse, sexual abuse, or neglect.
4. Caretaker's explanation for the injury to the child is questionable or inconsistent with the type of injury, and the nature of the injury suggests that the child's safety may be of immediate concern.
5. The family refuses access to the child, or there is reason to believe that the family is about to flee.
6. Caretaker does not meet the child's immediate needs for supervision, food, clothing, and/or medical or mental health care.
7. The physical living conditions are hazardous and immediately threatening to the health and/or safety of the child.
8. Caretaker's current substance abuse seriously impairs his/her ability to supervise, protect, or care for the child.
9. Domestic violence exists in the home and poses a risk of serious physical and/or emotional harm to the child.



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10. Caretaker describes the child in predominantly negative terms or acts toward the child in negative ways that result in the child being a danger to self or others, acting out aggressively, or being severely withdrawn and/or suicidal.
11. Caretaker's emotional stability, developmental status, or cognitive deficiency seriously impairs his/her current ability to supervise, protect, or care for the child.
12. There is a pattern of prior investigations and/or behavior that suggests an escalating threat to child safety.
13. Other (specify)

**If no immediate harm factors are observed, proceed to Section 3**

#### Section 2: Safety Interventions

If no immediate harm factors are present, go to Section 3. If one or more immediate harm factors are present, consider whether safety interventions one through eight will allow the child to remain in the home for the present time. Check the item number for all safety interventions that will be implemented. If there are no available safety interventions that would allow the child to remain in the home, indicate by checking item nine or ten, and follow procedures for initiating a voluntary agreement or taking the child into protective custody. Mark all that apply:

#### Non-Protective Custody Interventions:

1. Intervention or direct services by worker as part of a safety plan.
2. Use of family, neighbors, or other individuals in the community as safety resources.
3. Use of community agencies or services as immediate safety resources.
4. Have caretaker appropriately protect the victim from the alleged perpetrator.
5. Have the alleged perpetrator leave the home, either voluntarily or in response to legal action.
6. Have the non-offending caretaker move to a safe environment with the child.
7. Legal action planned or initiated - child remains in the home.
8. Other (Specify): \_\_\_\_\_

#### Protective Custody Interventions:

9. Caretaker signs a voluntary placement agreement that places the child in Department of Children Services (DCS) custody.
10. Child placed in protective custody pursuant to 37-1-113 and 37-1-117 because no interventions are available to adequately ensure the child's safety.



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**Section 3: Safety Decision**

Identify the safety decision. This decision should be based on the assessment of all immediate harm factors, safety interventions, and any other information known about the family. Mark only one.

- 1. **Safe.** No immediate harm factors were identified at this time. Based on currently available information, there are no children likely to be in immediate danger of serious harm.
- 2. **Conditionally Safe.** One or more immediate harm factors are present, and one or more protecting interventions #1-8 have been planned or taken. Based on protecting interventions, no protective custody action is necessary at this time.
- 3. **Unsafe.** One or more immediate harm factors are present, and placement is the only protecting intervention (#9 or #10) possible for one or more children. Without placement, one or more children will likely be in danger of immediate or serious harm.
  - All children placed.
  - One or more children being placed in protective custody, but others remain in the home. Complete the status of each child below only when one or more children are being removed, but others remain in the home:

**Children Removed**

**Children Not Removed**

**Case Manager:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Team Leader:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_