



**Tennessee Department of Children's Services  
Tennessee Child Abuse Hotline Summary**

**Intake**

Intake ID: [REDACTED]  
 Intake Taken By: [REDACTED] Intake Date/Time: 05/13/2015 03:28 PM [REDACTED]  
 Track Assigned: Investigation Priority Assigned: 1  
 Screened By: [REDACTED]  
 Date Screened: 05/13/2015

**Investigation**

Investigation ID: [REDACTED]  
 First County/Region: [REDACTED]  
 Date/Time Assigned : 05/14/2015 06:57 AM  
 First Team Leader Assigned: [REDACTED] Date/Time 05/14/2015 12:00 AM  
 First Case Manager [REDACTED] Date/Time 05/14/2015 12:00 AM

**Allegations**

Alleged Victim	Age	Allegation	Severe ?	Alleged Perpetrator	Relationship to Alleged Victim
[REDACTED]	10 Yrs	Neglect Death	Yes	Unknown Participant [REDACTED] Unknown	None
[REDACTED]	10 Yrs	Lack of Supervision	Yes	Unknown Participant [REDACTED] Unknown	None

**Referent(s)**

Referent Name: [REDACTED] Role to Alleged Victim(s): [REDACTED]  
 Referent Address: [REDACTED]  
 Referent Phone Number: [REDACTED]  
 Type of Contact: [REDACTED]  
 Notification: None

Narrative: \*\*\*\*The child is not in DCS custody

**TFACTS:**

Family Case IDs: Yes ([REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED])

Open Court Custody/FSS/FCIP: Yes ([REDACTED] / [REDACTED] / 4-30-15 / Unruly Petition [REDACTED]  
 County Juvenile Court)

Closed Court Custody: Yes ([REDACTED] / DCS Custody / [REDACTED] / Begin date: 10-31-01 / End date: 9-6-02)



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Open: No

Substantiated: No

Death: No

Number of Screen Outs: Yes [REDACTED]

History (not listed above): Yes

Begin date: 9-3-14 / [REDACTED] / Assessment / PHA / No Services Needed / AP, [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] / End date: 9-30-14

Begin date: 3-17-14 / [REDACTED] / Assessment / PYA / No Services Needed / AP, [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] / End date: 9-4-14

Begin date: 3-10-14 / [REDACTED] / Assessment / PHA / Services Recommended and Refused / AP, [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] / End date: 5-1-14

Begin date: 10-4-13 / [REDACTED] / Investigation / LOS, PYA, PHA / Allegation and Perpetrator Unsubstantiated / AP, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] / End date: 2-5-14

Begin date: 7-15-13 / [REDACTED] / Assessment / ENN / No Services Needed / AP, [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] / End date: 8-30-13

Begin date: 1-9-13 / [REDACTED] / Assessment / PHA / Services Recommended and Accepted / AP, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] / End date: 8-6-13

Begin date: 12-16-11 / [REDACTED] / Investigation / LOS and SEE / AP, [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] / End date: 3-12-12

Begin date: 11-15-11 / [REDACTED] / Investigation / PHA / Allegation and Perpetrator Unsubstantiated / AP, [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] / End date: 1-28-12

Begin date: 12-22-09 / [REDACTED] / Assessment / PYA and PHA / No Services Needed / AP, [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] / End date: 3-5-10

Begin date: 9-10-07 / [REDACTED] / Assessment / SRPI, DEC and LOS / No Services Needed / AP, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] / End date: 10-18-07

Begin date: 7-27-06 / [REDACTED] / Investigation / SRPI / Allegation and Perpetrator Unsubstantiated / AP, [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] / End date: 8-28-06

Begin date: 2-17-06 / [REDACTED] / Investigation / NUN / Allegation and Perpetrator Unsubstantiated / AP, [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] / End date: 3-9-06

Begin date: 11-7-05 / [REDACTED] / Investigation / LOS / Allegation and Perpetrator Unsubstantiated / AP, [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] / End date: 2-10-06

Pending: No

Awaiting Screening: No

Submitted: No

County: [REDACTED]

Notification: None

School/ Daycare: [REDACTED] / Dismissal: 3 p.m.

Native American Descent: No

Directions: The family resides at [REDACTED] The family's cell phone number is [REDACTED]



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Reporter's name/relationship: [REDACTED]

Reporter states: \*\*\*\*The child is not in DCS custody

[REDACTED] 9) lived with his mother, [REDACTED]; mother's boyfriend, [REDACTED]  
(DOB: unknown/age approximately 35) and sister, [REDACTED] 11) in [REDACTED]

On May 2, 2015, [REDACTED] was involved in a bicycle accident. [REDACTED] was struck by a moving vehicle with his bike as he was coming down a hill. [REDACTED] was not wearing a helmet at the time. [REDACTED] was transported to [REDACTED]. It is unknown how [REDACTED] was transported to [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] passed away the next day, Sunday, May 3, 2015. Law enforcement (LE) responded to the scene. The driver (name unknown) of the car involved in the accident was reportedly not cited. [REDACTED] has an open Family Support Services case due to his unruly behavior. [REDACTED] mother is currently at their home address with his sibling(s). LE may have talked with [REDACTED] sibling(s). It is believed that his mother was interviewed by the police. At this time, there are no reports of lack of supervision. The police did not make a DCS Referral. It is unknown if there have been any previous instances of a child dying and/or suffering injuries while in the custody of his parent(s). There are no known concerns of abuse in the home. There is a history of DCS involvement with the family. It is unknown if the parent(s) and/or anyone in the home has a criminal record with LE. It is unknown if anyone in the home has issues with mental health, drugs, alcohol, and/or domestic violence.

Special Needs or Disabilities: None present in [REDACTED]

Child's current location/is the child safe at this time: N/A

Perpetrator's location at this time: At home

Any other safety concerns for the child(ren) or worker who may respond: None known

Domestic Violence present in the home: None known

Per SDM: Investigative Track, P-1, by [REDACTED] [REDACTED] on 5/12/2015 @ 3:34pm

P1 on 5/12/15 @ 5:18pm by [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Override to Screen out, does not meet a definition of abuse or neglect as established by TCA and TN DCS Policy. This screen out has been reviewed by [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] has agreed to a Screen Out response for this intake. [REDACTED] on 05/12/15 @ 7:21 PM.

Extended Intake received Wednesday, May 13, 2015, at 3:24 p.m. from [REDACTED] via email requesting that the original intake [REDACTED] be re-entered and submitted to the county as a P2 Investigation. Ms. [REDACTED] states the following: "4 days prior to incident, the mother was at juvenile court regarding her son. She said his behaviors were unsafe and unmanageable. [REDACTED] (last asmt was 2 weeks prior), mental health providers, etc. had not been successful, and she wanted him in a RTC. She said he had caused her ex-boyfriend to leave her, and she was worried her current boyfriend would leave her too (because of him). She did not want him returned to her care, but agreed to do so since a CPS referral would be made if she did not. A Family Support Services (FSS) case was opened, but no safety plan was created for the family."

Per SDM: Investigation P1 - [REDACTED] on 5-13-15 at 4:59 p.m.

County notified via MIR3

[REDACTED] - Time Issued: 05:03:50 PM // Completed: 05:19:46 PM

[REDACTED] contacted the Hotline at 5:24 p.m. and reported she received the report.

Email sent to [REDACTED] [REDACTED]



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**Participant(s)**

**Name:** [REDACTED]

Gender: Female

Date of Birth: [REDACTED]

Participant ID: [REDACTED]

SSN: Race: Age: 29 Yrs

Address:

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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**Name:** [REDACTED]

**Gender:** Male

**Date of Birth:** [REDACTED]

**Participant ID:** [REDACTED]

**SSN:** [REDACTED]      **Race:** White      **Age:** 10 Yrs

**Address:** [REDACTED]

**Deceased Date:**

**School/ ChildCare Comments:**

**Alleged Perpetrator:** No

**DCS Foster Child:** No

**Contact:** [REDACTED]

**Contact Type:** CELL

**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]

**Participant ID:** [REDACTED]

**SSN:** [REDACTED]      **Race:** [REDACTED]      **Age:** 12 Yrs

**Address:**

**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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**Name:** [REDACTED]

Gender: Male

Date of Birth:

Partipant ID: [REDACTED]

SSN:

Race:

Age: 35 Yrs (Est)

Address:

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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**Name:** Unknown Participant [REDACTED] Unknown

**Gender:**

**Date of Birth:**

**Partipant ID:** [REDACTED]

**SSN:**

**Race:**

**Age:**

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

**A. Investigation**

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Investigation ID: [REDACTED]

Referral Date: 05/13/2015

Assignment Date: 05/14/2015

Street Address: [REDACTED],

City/State/Zip: [REDACTED]

**B. Allegation**

#	Children's Name	DOB	Specific Allegation for Each Child	Alleged Perpetrator's Name	DOB	Classification	Severe Abuse	Classified By
		SSN			SSN			
1	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Neglect Death	Participant, Unknown [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Allegation Unsubstantiated / Perpetrator Unsubstantiated	Yes	[REDACTED] 07/01/2015
2	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Lack of Supervision	Participant, Unknown [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Allegation Unsubstantiated / Perpetrator Unsubstantiated	Yes	[REDACTED] 07/01/2015

**C. Disposition Decision**

Disposition Decision: Assessed and Closed

Comments: This case will be classified and closed as AUPU. There is not enough evidence to support the allegations of lack of supervision and neglect death. [REDACTED] was riding his bike down a hill, disregarded a stop sign, and rode into oncoming traffic which resulted in him striking a vehicle and him being thrown off his bike, which caused his death. There was no autopsy performed. This case was presented to [REDACTED] Child Protective Investigative Team (CPIT) on 6/15/15, and the team agrees to classify and close as AUPU. According to Work Aid 1 LOS is defined as Failure to provide adequate supervision, by a parent or other caretaker, who is able to do so. Neglect Death is defined as a child death caused by abuse or neglect resulting from the parent or caretakers failure to stop another person's direct action that resulted in the death of the child.

**D. Case Workers**

Case Worker: [REDACTED]

Date: 07/01/2015

Team Leader: [REDACTED]

Date: 07/01/2015

**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:**

[REDACTED] is deceased, and was already buried by the time this referral came in. There was no autopsy completed. [REDACTED] died as a result of riding his bicycle into on coming traffic striking a vehicle,



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and being throw from his bike, which caused his death.

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

Medical records have been requested from [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. All records have been uploaded into TFACTS.

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

The Alleged perpetrator (AP) in this case is unknown. At this time, there is not enough evidence to support having an AP.

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

On 6/15/2015 Child Protective Investigative Team (CPIT), present for the meeting were Child Protective Services Investigator [REDACTED] [REDACTED] with [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] with [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

During this meeting, CPSI explained the circumstances surrounding the case which involved, alleged child victim [REDACTED]. The alleged perpetrator in this case is unknown.

[REDACTED] passed away after he was riding his bike and hit a vehicle. The force of hitting the vehicle caused [REDACTED] to be thrown from his bicycle, which resulted in his death. There was no autopsy completed, and the body was buried before this investigation began. CPSI explained that after all interviews have taken place, it is determined that there is not enough evidence to support the allegations that someone has caused this child's death on purpose. This case will be classified and closed as AUPU. There is not enough evidence to support the allegations of lack of supervision and neglect death. [REDACTED] was riding his bike down a hill, disregarded a stop sign, and rode into oncoming traffic which resulted in him striking a vehicle and him being thrown off his bike, which caused his death. There was no autopsy performed. This case was presented to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Child Protective Investigative Team (CPIT) on 6/15/15, and the team agrees to classify and close as AUPU. According to Work Aid 1 LOS is defined as Failure to provide adequate supervision, by a parent or other caretaker, who is able to do so. Neglect Death is defined as a child death caused by abuse or neglect resulting from the parent or caretakers failure to stop another person's direct action that resulted in the death of the child. According to Work Aid 1 LOS is defined as Failure to provide adequate supervision, by a parent or other caretaker, who is able to do so.

The team agrees to classify and close AUPU.

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

There is not enough evidence to support the finding of an alleged perpetrator caused the death of [REDACTED]. "The case will be closed and classified as allegation unsubstantiated perpetrator unknown unsubstantiated for the allegation of Child Neglect Death."

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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]  
 Case Status: Close

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 11/30/2015 Contact Method:  
 Contact Time: 05:15 PM Contact Duration:  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Created Date: 11/30/2015  
 Completed date: 11/30/2015 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: 11/30/2015 04:20 PM Entered By: [REDACTED]

This case has been reviewed and approved for closure. Notice of the classification decision to the [REDACTED] Juvenile Court Judge will be provided by Lead Investigator (LI) [REDACTED]. Notification of the classification to the district attorney will be provided by LI [REDACTED] when applicable. Notice of the classification to the DCS Legal Attorney will be provided by LI [REDACTED]. All the appropriate paperwork has been reviewed and signed if applicable by LI [REDACTED]. This case was reviewed on this date by [REDACTED] and was approved for closure.



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Case Id: [REDACTED]  
 Case Status: Close

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 11/17/2015 Contact Method:  
 Contact Time: 12:32 PM Contact Duration:  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: DCS Office Created Date: 11/17/2015  
 Completed date: 11/17/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Case Summary  
 Contact Sub Type: Closing

**Children Concerning**

**Participant(s)**

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 11/17/2015 11:32 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]  
 Child Death Closing Summary

The Department of Children's Services (DCS) Office of Child Safety Child Protective Services Investigations received a referral on 5/13/2015 with an allegation of Child Neglect Death and lack of supervision regarding noncustodial alleged child victim (ACV)

On 5/2/15, [REDACTED] was involved in a bicycle accident in which he was struck by a moving vehicle in his neighborhood. [REDACTED] passed away due to his injuries on 5/3/15. [REDACTED] was at fault due to disregarding a stop sign and riding h his bike into traffic.

The investigation into this incident was conducted by the [REDACTED] Detective [REDACTED] Tennessee Highway Patrol [REDACTED], DCS Lead Investigator (LI) [REDACTED] and Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED]

The report to DCS listed the alleged perpetrators as unknown.

Interviews were conducted with the birth mother, boyfriend of the birth mother, law enforcement at the scene, sibling, other DCS case managers, and neighbors of the family.

On 5/14/15 at 1:50pm, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] and Detective [REDACTED] with [REDACTED] arrived at [REDACTED] CPSI engaged face to face with [REDACTED] maternal grandmother at the front door. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] was currently at the grocery store and would be back within the hour. CPSI provided a contact number for [REDACTED] to contact CPSI when she arrived back home. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she did not know [REDACTED] contact number. CPSI contacted Lead Investigator (LI) [REDACTED] to inform her of the attempted home visit. CPSI and Detective [REDACTED] observed a white Cadillac in the driveway of the home.

On 5/14/15 at 2:30pm, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] contacted Ms. [REDACTED] at [REDACTED]. CPSI explained that a home visit needed to take place today, and asked when she would be home. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she was currently in [REDACTED] area getting [REDACTED] funeral arrangements settled." Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she would be home around 5pm. CPSI will conduct a home visit at that time.

On 5/14/15 at 3pm, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] obtained copies of media reports from [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. These articles talk about how Ms. [REDACTED] is asking for money to pay for all of the medical expenses and the funeral expenses for her son. CPSI also printed off the obituary from [REDACTED] funeral home to show that the funeral took place on May 9, 2015.



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On 5/14/15 at 4:30pm, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] arrived at [REDACTED] CPSI engaged face to face with Ms. [REDACTED], Ms. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Ms. [REDACTED] allowed CPSI to enter the home. CPSI expressed condolences for her loss. CPSI explained to Ms. [REDACTED] that the reason for the visit is due to any child death, we investigate to see what the circumstances are and if there is anything we can do for the family during this difficult time. CPSI explained that this case is confidential, and requested permission to proceed in front of her mother, Ms. [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] stated that it was okay to speak in front of her mother. CPSI observed [REDACTED] to be sitting on the couch in the living room at first, playing on her laptop, however when CPSI and Ms. [REDACTED] began talking, [REDACTED] got up and went to her bedroom, and screamed, "I'm not talking to anyone, leave me alone." CPSI and Ms. [REDACTED] spoke in the living room of the home. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she and her children had just moved into this home approximately 4 weeks ago. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that the home belongs to [REDACTED] and his wife [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are going through a divorce and [REDACTED] lives in [REDACTED] with their children. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she met [REDACTED] online a couple months back. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she used to live in [REDACTED] with her boyfriend [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she and [REDACTED] are no longer together. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] and her are just friends, and he offered to let her and her children live in his house since he is always gone with work. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that in April of 2014 is when she obtained custody of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she has not had custody of them for the last 8 years. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that their biological father, [REDACTED] has had custody of them. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that the children were removed from her in [REDACTED] Tennessee "because I did not have a stable home." Ms. [REDACTED] reported that April of 2014, Mr. [REDACTED] had severely physically abused [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] so they were removed from Mr. [REDACTED] and placed in the custody of Ms. [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that the guardian ad litem is [REDACTED] out of [REDACTED] and there is a [REDACTED] who is also involved with the family. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that Mr. [REDACTED] is "on the run from [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] TN." Ms. [REDACTED] reported that Mr. [REDACTED] did not even come to the hospital when [REDACTED] was transported there, nor did he come to the funeral. Ms. [REDACTED] provided a contact number of [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that there is a no contact order for [REDACTED] against Mr. [REDACTED] and there is only supervised visitation with [REDACTED] and Mr. [REDACTED] which took place at [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] TN.

Ms. [REDACTED] reported that on May 2, 2015, it was a normal day; she got up and was getting ready for work, when she noticed she had a flat tire on her car. Ms. [REDACTED] stated "I knew it was going to be a bad day." Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she had made an appointment for [REDACTED] to get his haircut at 2pm at [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] TN. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that after the haircut, they went to McDonalds, and then went home. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] was in town that weekend, and they had decided that they were going to spend the afternoon at the lake. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] had gone to get his car from [REDACTED] because the manifold was messed up, and then to the bank to get cash. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she was inside the house getting snacks ready for the lake, while the children were outside riding their bikes. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that her neighbor, [REDACTED] was watching the children from his yard. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were riding on [REDACTED] drive which wraps around to [REDACTED] drive and [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] "snuck off" and went out of sight of Mr. [REDACTED].

At this time, [REDACTED] comes out of her bedroom screaming, "he didn't sneak off mom, why are you lying about it," and retreats back to her bedroom and slams the door. Ms. [REDACTED] stated, "Okay so maybe he didn't sneak off, but he went somewhere he knew he shouldn't have." Ms. [REDACTED] reported that at approximately 3:30pm, Mr. [REDACTED] came into her house and told her to call 911. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she came outside and saw [REDACTED] lying in the street. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] was coming down the hill heading south on [REDACTED] onto [REDACTED] when a car traveling west on [REDACTED] hit [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] hit the right front fender of the vehicle, which caused his to be thrown off his bike, hitting the windshield, and then onto the pavement. [REDACTED] reported that the driver of the car is [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that Mr. [REDACTED] was impaired, and had 4 cases of beer in his vehicle. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she has four other witnesses to prove that Mr. [REDACTED] was "drunk, and had the beer in his car." Ms. [REDACTED] reported that an ambulance came and took [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] at which time, he was life flighted to [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] TN. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] both have helmets and safety gear. Ms. [REDACTED] stated, "but just like most kids, they don't listen and weren't wearing their helmets or safety gear."

Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] is taking it very difficult as she was behind [REDACTED] and saw him get hit. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] has an appointment in the morning, 5/15/15 at 8:15am, at [REDACTED] in [REDACTED]



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[REDACTED] TN with [REDACTED] for grief counseling. CPSI asked Ms. [REDACTED] to explain why she and [REDACTED] were in court on 4/29/15. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] has been diagnosed as ADHD, ADD and ODD. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] has a "big problem with lashing out." Ms. [REDACTED] reported that the previous Sunday before [REDACTED] death, (4/26/15), Ms. [REDACTED] was out with [REDACTED] she was watching [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] was trying to run away because [REDACTED] was busy and would not play outside with him. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that when she got home, she was trying to make [REDACTED] get in the car, and he wouldn't, so she called 911 for an officer to come help her. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that when law enforcement came out, [REDACTED] calmed down. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she took [REDACTED] to the hospital because she was running a fever of over 102. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that while she was at the hospital, [REDACTED] started, "acting out" and "I couldn't control him" so Ms. [REDACTED] called 911 again. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that that this time, law enforcement took [REDACTED] to the justice center. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that later that evening [REDACTED] came back home, so on 4/29/15, they were in court for the unruly petition. Ms. [REDACTED] stated, "I wasn't abandoning my child, I was asking for help." Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] has a therapist, [REDACTED] psychiatrist [REDACTED] and a case manager [REDACTED] all at [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she met with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and they were trying to find a place for [REDACTED] to go to get help for his behaviors. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she did not want Child Protective Services Involved, so she took [REDACTED] back home with the hopes that something would come open to help him. Ms. [REDACTED] stated, "and then he died on Saturday."

Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are on their fathers insurance, [REDACTED] as their primary, [REDACTED] as their secondary. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she is still paying for the funeral stuff. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she has been able to pay for the embalming, casket, and the suit that [REDACTED] wore because of the gofundme.com account. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that the funeral home only covered the transportation. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she is still paying on the headstone.

CPSI completed initial paperwork with Ms. [REDACTED] and this has been placed in the file. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] went to [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] for his primary care physician. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that all [REDACTED] mental health is done at [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] dentist is [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] TN. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] was born at [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] TN.

At approximately 5:30pm, [REDACTED] entered the home. CPSI introduced herself, and explained that any time there is a child fatality, DCS is involved. CPSI observed Mr. [REDACTED] to be very talkative, and excited. CPSI observed Mr. [REDACTED] to keep questioning why DCS is involved. CPSI went over the investigation process to try and help him understand. Mr. [REDACTED] was very defensive and kept asking if he was going to be charged with something. CPSI explained that she is not law enforcement, and this is a long process and there will be many people spoken to during this investigation. Mr. [REDACTED] stated, "I am active duty navy, and in medical school." CPSI asked where he was stationed at and his response was [REDACTED]. CPSI observed Mr. [REDACTED] to be acting very erratic and sketchy.

CPSI asked Ms. [REDACTED] is she would consent to a urine drug screen. Ms. [REDACTED] stated that she would have no problem passing a drug screen and that she does not do drugs. At this time, Mr. [REDACTED] left the house abruptly and never returned while CPSI was there. Ms. [REDACTED] urine drug screen was negative for all substances.

CPSI took photographs of [REDACTED] bicycle; these photographs will be placed in the file.

CPSI observed the home to be a two story, 4 bedrooms, two and half bathrooms. The home was furnished with what appears be brand new furniture. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she has rented all of the recently just received all of the new furniture. CPSI observed [REDACTED] bedroom which was appropriately furnished with no safety concerns. CPSI was not able to observe [REDACTED] bedroom as she would not allow CPSI to enter.

CPSI contacted Lead Investigator [REDACTED] at approximately 6:30pm, and advised that there are at this time, no concerns with mom's behaviors, however CPSI is concerned for [REDACTED] and the toll this is taking on her. CPSI explained that she [REDACTED] has an appointment in the morning for grief counseling. CPSI explained that a follow up will take place the following week to check on her.

On 5/14/15 at 9:43pm, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] received a phone call from Officer [REDACTED] with [REDACTED]. Officer [REDACTED] reported that he has just arrested [REDACTED] and has found multiple drug paraphernalia in the vehicle. Officer [REDACTED] reported that while he was in the process of arresting him, [REDACTED] showed up. Officer [REDACTED] expressed concerns that Mr. [REDACTED] may be doing drugs as well if he is associating with Mr. [REDACTED]. Officer [REDACTED] expressed concerns of knowing that Mr. [REDACTED] was watching [REDACTED] the day he was killed due to his drug use as well.

On 5/16/15 at 10am, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] arrived at the [REDACTED] and engaged face to face with [REDACTED]. CPSI explained that she just had a few questions regarding what took place the day [REDACTED] was hurt. Mr. [REDACTED] stated that "kids were home riding their bike, I wasn't watching them, I



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mean, I was just outside in my yard." Mr. [REDACTED] reported that he resides at [REDACTED]. Mr. [REDACTED] reported that he is in jail "because the cops wanted my car because it does not have any tags." Mr. [REDACTED] then interrupted CPSI and asked if she would call [REDACTED]. CPSI explained that she could not make phone calls from him. At this time, Mr. [REDACTED] stated, "I have nothing else to say to you, get out of my way." CPSI attempted to ask him more questions, however, Mr. [REDACTED] left the room and went back to his cell.

On 5/16/15 at 1:20pm, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED] with [REDACTED] arrived at [REDACTED]. CPSI engaged face to face with [REDACTED] at the front door. CPSI explained that there were a few more questions for him and since he left the home the other evening, CPSI was not able to finish asking him questions. CPSI asked Mr. [REDACTED] who his commanding officer is. Mr. [REDACTED] reported that he does not have a commanding officer. Mr. [REDACTED] reported that he is active duty, in an inactive status and does not have a commanding officer at this time. CPSI asked to see Mr. [REDACTED] military identification card. CPSI observed a military id that expires in November 2015. CPSI asked Mr. [REDACTED] why Mr. [REDACTED] would want him to call him or bail him out of jail. Mr. [REDACTED] denies knowing anything about Mr. [REDACTED] and his drug use. Mr. [REDACTED] reported that he wants nothing to do with Mr. [REDACTED]. CPSI asked Mr. [REDACTED] if he would consent to a urine drug screen. Mr. [REDACTED] reported that he will be glad to take a drug screen at the hospital and that state will pay for it. CPSI explained that we do not pay for drug screens to get done at the hospital. Mr. [REDACTED] reported that because CPSI is not a licensed nurse or doctor, he did not trust CPSI to not contaminate the urine drug screen. Mr. [REDACTED] refused to take one, and was observed to be very defensive when asked if he would test positive for anything. Mr. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] no longer live at this home, as there was an argument the night before due to Mr. [REDACTED] getting arrested for drugs. Mr. [REDACTED] reported that he does not know where [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are staying and has not heard from them since the previous day.

On 11/17/15 at 9am, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] arrived at [REDACTED]. CPSI engaged with Ms. [REDACTED] who allowed CPSI to enter the home. CPSI explained that this case is being prepared for closure, and wanted to follow up with how things have been going for her and her daughter. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she and [REDACTED] moved into this new place about two weeks ago. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] is enrolled at [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] is still receiving counseling at [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] and they will be moving it to [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] is doing fine, and talks to [REDACTED] on her own time. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that in September, the children's father, [REDACTED] was found guilty of dependency and neglect and is now on the run. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that Mr. [REDACTED] has not seen or talked to [REDACTED] since she was removed from him in April of 2013. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she has recently been accepted into LPN school. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she does not want any type of counseling or therapy at this time, and she is doing fine. CPSI asked Ms. [REDACTED] if it would be okay to go and see [REDACTED] at school. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she did not mind. CPSI observed the home to be a two bedroom single wide mobile home. The home is clean and clutter free. [REDACTED] bedroom is furnished with children's belongings, and she has her own bathroom. The home has no safety concerns at this time.

On 11/17/15 at 9:20am, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] arrived at [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] TN. CPSI engaged face to face with [REDACTED]. CPSI and [REDACTED] spoke privately in an office. CPSI explained to [REDACTED] that she had met me before right after her brother passed away. [REDACTED] reported that she remembers yelling at CPSI at the home, and apologize to CPSI. CPSI explained to [REDACTED] that it is okay that she yelled at me. CPSI explained to [REDACTED] that she just wanted to come check on her and see how she is doing. [REDACTED] reported that she is doing good, and is happy in her new home and at school. [REDACTED] reported that it has been hard adjusting to all her new friends because "they are always wanting to me to be on facebook, and we don't have internet to do it." [REDACTED] reported that she has not seen anyone from [REDACTED] in a couple of weeks. [REDACTED] reported that she and her mom moved into the home about two weeks ago. [REDACTED] told CPSI about a recent beauty competition that she was in. [REDACTED] reported that she does not want to do it again. [REDACTED] reported that she did not want CPSI to close her case until she arrested the man who hit her brother with his car. CPSI explained to [REDACTED] that CPSI is not law enforcement. CPSI asked [REDACTED] if she wanted to tell CPSI what she saw that day her brother died since she did not want to talk to CPSI before. CPSI let [REDACTED] know that CPSI did not want to upset her at school and if she did not want to talk about it, it was okay. [REDACTED] reported that she wanted to tell CPSI. [REDACTED] reported that she and her brother were riding their bikes and they were on top of the hill and were going to race down it. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] went first. [REDACTED] reported that she did not see the car hit [REDACTED] she just heard it. [REDACTED] reported that she is angry because the police did not talk to her. [REDACTED] reported that she saw the guy in the car had beer in his car. [REDACTED] reported that it was in the back seat. [REDACTED] was not able to tell CPSI what kind of beer, or how it was packaged. [REDACTED] reported that it was not [REDACTED] fault he got hit by the car. [REDACTED] reported that she is okay with it, and she talks to [REDACTED] every night before she goes to bed. [REDACTED] reported that she is not angry anymore. CPSI observed [REDACTED] to appear to be healthy and very open to talking to CPSI.



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DCS policy Work Aid 1 (E) 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 the result of the caretaker's failure to meet childcare responsibilities. Neglect death is always treated as severe child abuse.

DCS policy Work Aid 1 Defines the following criteria for Lack of Supervision:

Failure to provide adequate supervision, by a parent or other caretaker, who is able to do so. A lack of supervision allegation or determination means that:

- a) The child has been placed in a situation that requires actions beyond the child's level of maturity, physical ability, and/or mental ability; or
- b) Caregiver inadequately supervises a child. The caregiver is with the child but is unable or unwilling to supervise (e.g., the caregiver is under the influence of alcohol or drugs, is depressed, sleeps during the day, or has inadequate parenting knowledge or skills).
- c) Any registered sex offender residing in a home with unrelated minor children or victim of offender, and/or caregiver knowingly resides with and/or allows children to be unsupervised with a registered sex offender.

On 6/15/2015 Child Protective Investigative Team (CPIT), present for the meeting were Child Protective Services Investigator

[REDACTED] with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], and [REDACTED]. During this meeting, CPSI explained the circumstances surrounding the case which involved, alleged child victim [REDACTED]. The alleged perpetrator in this case is unknown.

[REDACTED] passed away after he was riding his bike and hit a vehicle. The force of hitting the vehicle caused [REDACTED] to be thrown from his bicycle, which resulted in his death. There was no autopsy completed, and the body was buried before this investigation began. CPSI explained that after all interviews have taken place, it is determined that there is not enough evidence to support the allegations that someone has caused this child's death on purpose. This case will be classified and closed as AUPU. There is not enough evidence to support the allegations of lack of supervision and neglect death. [REDACTED] was riding his bike down a hill, disregarded a stop sign, and rode into oncoming traffic which resulted in him striking a vehicle and him being thrown off his bike, which caused his death. There was no autopsy performed. This case was presented to [REDACTED] Child Protective Investigative Team (CPIT) on 6/15/15, and the team agrees to classify and close as AUPU. According to Work Aid 1 LOS is defined as Failure to provide adequate supervision, by a parent or other caretaker, who is able to do so. Neglect Death is defined as a child death caused by abuse or neglect resulting from the parent or caretakers failure to stop another person's direct action that resulted in the death of the child. According to Work Aid 1 LOS is defined as Failure to provide adequate supervision, by a parent or other caretaker, who is able to do so.

The team agrees to classify and close AUPU.

There is not enough evidence to support the finding of an alleged perpetrator caused the death of [REDACTED]. "The case will be closed and classified as allegation unsubstantiated perpetrator unknown unsubstantiated for the allegation of Child Neglect Death."



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 Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 11/17/2015 Contact Method: Phone Call  
 Contact Time: 11:30 AM Contact Duration:  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: DCS Office Created Date: 11/17/2015  
 Completed date: 11/17/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Collateral Contact  
 Contact Sub Type:

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**Participant(s)**

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 11/17/2015 10:48 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

On 11/17/15 at 11:30am, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] engaged with Family Support Services (FSS) Case Manager (CM) [REDACTED] over the phone. CM [REDACTED] reported that he was assigned the on 4/29/15 after it was court ordered through [REDACTED] Court. [REDACTED] had not met response with the family due to the family meeting with Court Liaison [REDACTED] at court on 4/29/15. On 5/3/15 is when [REDACTED] was hit by the vehicle which caused his death. CM [REDACTED] did engage with the family the following week and provided grief counseling information. CM [REDACTED] then closed his case.

Due to the family have court involvement in [REDACTED] TN, the FSS referral should have been called into [REDACTED] as the court has jurisdiction over this family.



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Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID:	[REDACTED]	Status:	Completed
Contact Date:	11/17/2015	Contact Method:	
Contact Time:	11:25 AM	Contact Duration:	
Entered By:	[REDACTED]	Recorded For:	
Location:	DCS Office	Created Date:	11/17/2015
Completed date:	11/17/2015	Completed By:	[REDACTED]
Purpose(s):	Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being		
Contact Type(s):	Notation		
Contact Sub Type:			

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**Participant(s)**

[REDACTED]

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 11/17/2015 10:40 AM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

Family Composition:

Alleged Child Victim: [REDACTED] - date of birth [REDACTED] date of death 5/3/15  
social security [REDACTED]

Sibling: [REDACTED] - date of birth [REDACTED] social security [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Birth mother: [REDACTED] - date of birth [REDACTED] social security [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Birth Father: [REDACTED] - date of birth [REDACTED] social security [REDACTED]  
last known address [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]



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Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Organization: [REDACTED]

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Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 11/17/2015 Contact Method:  
 Contact Time: 11:15 AM Contact Duration:  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: DCS Office Created Date: 11/17/2015  
 Completed date: 11/17/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Notation  
 Contact Sub Type:

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**Participant(s)**

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 11/17/2015 10:26 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

On 11/17/15 at 11:15am, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] completed the closing family advocacy support tool and Safety assessment in Tfacts. Both assessments did not recommend immediate intervention, or services. There is a copy of both assessments in the file and uploaded into tfacts.



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Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 11/17/2015 Contact Method: Face To Face  
 Contact Time: 09:20 AM Contact Duration:  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: School Created Date: 11/17/2015  
 Completed date: 11/17/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Sibling Interview/Observation  
 Contact Sub Type:

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**Participant(s)**

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 11/17/2015 09:58 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

On 11/17/15 at 9:20am, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] arrived at [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] TN. CPSI engaged face to face with [REDACTED] CPSI and [REDACTED] spoke privately in an office. CPSI explained to [REDACTED] that she had met me before right after her brother passed away. [REDACTED] reported that she remembers yelling at CPSI at the home, and apologize to CPSI. CPSI explained to [REDACTED] that it is okay that she yelled at me. CPSI explained to [REDACTED] that she just wanted to come check on her and see how she is doing. [REDACTED] reported that she is doing good, and is happy in her new home and at school. [REDACTED] reported that it has been hard adjusting to all her new friends because "they are always wanting to me to be on facebook, and we don't have internet to do it." [REDACTED] reported that she has not seen anyone from [REDACTED] in a couple of weeks. [REDACTED] reported that she and her mom moved into the home about two weeks ago. [REDACTED] told CPSI about a recent beauty competition that she was in. [REDACTED] reported that she does not want to do it again. [REDACTED] reported that she did not want CPSI to close her case until she arrested the man who hit her brother with his car. CPSI explained to [REDACTED] that CPSI is not law enforcement. CPSI asked [REDACTED] if she wanted to tell CPSI what she saw that day her brother died since she did not want to talk to CPSI before. CPSI let [REDACTED] know that CPSI did not want to upset her at school and if she did not want to talk about it, it was okay. [REDACTED] reported that she wanted to tell CPSI. [REDACTED] reported that she and her brother were riding their bikes and they were on top of the hill and were going to race down it. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] went first. [REDACTED] reported that she did not see the car hit [REDACTED] she just heard it. [REDACTED] reported that she is angry because the police did not talk to her. [REDACTED] reported that she saw the guy in the car had beer in his car. [REDACTED] reported that it was in the back seat. [REDACTED] was not able to tell CPSI what kind of beer, or how it was packaged. [REDACTED] reported that it was not [REDACTED] fault he got hit by the car. [REDACTED] reported that she is okay with it, and she talks to [REDACTED] every night before she goes to bed. [REDACTED] reported that she is not angry anymore. CPSI observed [REDACTED] to appear to be healthy and very open to talking to CPSI.



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Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
Contact Date: 11/17/2015 Contact Method: Face To Face  
Contact Time: 09:00 AM Contact Duration:  
Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
Location: Family Home Created Date: 11/17/2015  
Completed date: 11/17/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
Contact Type(s): Parent/Caretaker Interview  
Contact Sub Type:

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Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 11/17/2015 09:45 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

On 11/17/15 at 9am, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] arrived at [REDACTED]. CPSI engaged with Ms. [REDACTED] who allowed CPSI to enter the home. CPSI explained that this case is being prepared for closure, and wanted to follow up with how things have been going for her and her daughter. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she and [REDACTED] moved into this new place about two weeks ago. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] is enrolled at [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] is still receiving counseling at [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] and they will be moving it to [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] is doing fine, and talks to [REDACTED] on her own time. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that in September, the children's father, [REDACTED] was found guilty of dependency and neglect and is now on the run. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that Mr. [REDACTED] has not seen or talked to [REDACTED] since she was removed from him in April of 2013. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she has recently been accepted into LPN school. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she does not want any type of counseling or therapy at this time, and she is doing fine. CPSI asked Ms. [REDACTED] if it would be okay to go and see [REDACTED] at school. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she did not mind. CPSI observed the home to be a two bedroom single wide mobile home. The home is clean and clutter free. [REDACTED] bedroom is furnished with children's belongings, and she has her own bathroom. The home has no safety concerns at this time.



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 Case Status: Close

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 07/31/2015 Contact Method: Attempted Face To Face  
 Contact Time: 04:00 PM Contact Duration:  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Family Home Created Date: 11/17/2015  
 Completed date: 11/17/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Parent/Caretaker Interview  
 Contact Sub Type:

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**Participant(s)**

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 11/17/2015 10:13 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]  
 On 7/31/15 at 4pm, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] attempted making contact with Mr. [REDACTED] at [REDACTED]. CPSI was not able to make it on the property due to gate at the driveway. CPSI attempted calling Mr. [REDACTED], and was not able to leave a message.



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Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Organization: [REDACTED]

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Contact Date:	07/25/2015	Contact Method:	
Contact Time:	01:45 PM	Contact Duration:	
Entered By:	[REDACTED]	Recorded For:	
Location:	DCS Office	Created Date:	07/25/2015
Completed date:	07/25/2015	Completed By:	[REDACTED]
Purpose(s):	Permanency		
Contact Type(s):	Notation		
Contact Sub Type:			

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**Participant(s)**

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 07/25/2015 12:47 PM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

On 7/25/15 at 1:45pm, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] uploaded all documents pertaining to this investigation into TFACTS. These documents include medical records, traffic crash report, and photographs of the crash site and bicycle.



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Case Id: [REDACTED]  
 Case Status: Close

Case Name | [REDACTED]  
 Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 06/15/2015 Contact Method: Face To Face  
 Contact Time: 01:30 PM Contact Duration:  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Other Community Site Created Date: 07/25/2015  
 Completed date: 07/25/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): CPIT (Child Protective Investigative Team)  
 Contact Sub Type:

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**Participant(s)**

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 07/25/2015 12:59 PM Entered By: [REDACTED]

On 6/15/2015 Child Protective Investigative Team (CPIT), present for the meeting were Child Protective Services Investigator

[REDACTED], and [REDACTED]. During this meeting, CPSI explained the circumstances surrounding the case which involved, alleged child victim [REDACTED]. The alleged perpetrator in this case is unknown.

[REDACTED] passed away after he was riding his bike and hit a vehicle. The force of hitting the vehicle caused [REDACTED] to be thrown from his bicycle, which resulted in his death. There was no autopsy completed, and the body was buried before this investigation began. CPSI explained that after all interviews have taken place, it is determined that there is not enough evidence to support the allegations that someone has caused this child's death on purpose. This case will be classified and closed as AUPU. There is not enough evidence to support the allegations of lack of supervision and neglect death. [REDACTED] was riding his bike down a hill, disregarded a stop sign, and rode into oncoming traffic which resulted in him striking a vehicle and him being thrown off his bike, which caused his death. There was no autopsy performed. This case was presented to [REDACTED] Child Protective Investigative Team (CPIT) on 6/15/15, and the team agrees to classify and close as AUPU. According to Work Aid 1 LOS is defined as Failure to provide adequate supervision, by a parent or other caretaker, who is able to do so. Neglect Death is defined as a child death caused by abuse or neglect resulting from the parent or caretakers failure to stop another person's direct action that resulted in the death of the child. According to Work Aid 1 LOS is defined as Failure to provide adequate supervision, by a parent or other caretaker, who is able to do so. The team agrees to classify and close AUPU.



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

Case Id: [REDACTED]  
Case Status: Close

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
Contact Date: 05/27/2015 Contact Method: Face To Face  
Contact Time: 03:00 PM Contact Duration: Less than 05  
Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
Location: Other Community Site Created Date: 05/29/2015  
Completed date: 05/29/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,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: 05/29/2015 08:08 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

On 5/27/15 at 3pm, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] engaged with [REDACTED] at his office in [REDACTED] TN. [REDACTED] provided CPSI with the accident report. CPSI has placed this in the file. [REDACTED] reported that the driver was not at fault for this accident. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] had the stop sign and even though he is 9 years old, he still should follow the stop sign. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] was crying out for attention for the last few weeks according to neighbors [REDACTED] reported that it was an accident that could have happened to anyone of us.



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

Case Id: [REDACTED]  
 Case Status: Close

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 05/18/2015 Contact Method: Correspondence  
 Contact Time: 09:54 AM Contact Duration: Less than 05  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: DCS Office Created Date: 05/29/2015  
 Completed date: 05/29/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Collateral Contact  
 Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning**

**Participant(s)**

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 05/29/2015 08:04 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

On 5/18/15 at 9:54am, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] received an email with the [REDACTED] Juvenile file attached. CPSI will upload these documents into the investigation as well as place a copy in the file.



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

Case Id: [REDACTED]  
 Case Status: Close

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 05/16/2015 Contact Method: Phone Call  
 Contact Time: 02:38 PM Contact Duration: Less than 30  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Other Community Site Created Date: 05/29/2015  
 Completed date: 05/29/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Parent/Caretaker Interview  
 Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning**

**Participant(s)**

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 05/29/2015 08:01 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

On 5/16/15 at 2:38pm, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] received a phone call from Ms. [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that Mr. [REDACTED] contacted her and told her that CPSI and law enforcement were back at his home this morning. CPSI explained that there were a few more questions for Mr. [REDACTED] that CPSI needed. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she is moving out of that house that she shares with Mr. [REDACTED] and has moved back in with [REDACTED] in [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she did not realize that [REDACTED] was so bad into drugs until the other night when he got arrested. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she did not realize that Mr. [REDACTED] is possibly into drugs as well. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she cannot live in that house any longer and see the corner of the street where [REDACTED] died. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] has an appointment scheduled with [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] for 6/4/15. Ms. [REDACTED] provided the address of where she is living in [REDACTED] to be [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she will stay in contact with CPSI if anything else changes.



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

Case Id: [REDACTED]  
 Case Status: Close

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 05/16/2015 Contact Method: Face To Face  
 Contact Time: 01:20 PM Contact Duration: Less than 30  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Family Home Created Date: 05/18/2015  
 Completed date: 05/18/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Collateral Contact,Other Persons Living in Home Interview/Observation,Parent/Caretaker Interview  
 Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning**

**Participant(s)**

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 05/18/2015 10:51 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

On 5/16/15 at 1:20pm, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] with [REDACTED] arrived at [REDACTED]. CPSI engaged face to face with [REDACTED] at the front door. CPSI explained that there were a few more questions for him and since he left the home the other evening, CPSI was not able to finish asking him questions. CPSI asked Mr. [REDACTED] who his commanding officer is. Mr. [REDACTED] reported that he does not have a commanding officer. Mr. [REDACTED] reported that he is active duty, in an inactive status and does not have a commanding officer at this time. CPSI asked to see Mr. [REDACTED] military identification card. CPSI observed a military id that expires in November 2015. CPSI asked Mr. [REDACTED] why Mr. [REDACTED] would be wanting him to call him or bail him out of jail. Mr. [REDACTED] denies knowing anything about Mr. [REDACTED] and his drug use. Mr. [REDACTED] reported that he wants nothing to do with Mr. [REDACTED]. CPSI asked Mr. [REDACTED] if he would consent to a urine drug screen. Mr. [REDACTED] reported that he will be gladly take a drug screen at the hospital and that state will pay for it. CPSI explained that we do not pay for drug screens to get done at the hospital. Mr. [REDACTED] reported that because CPSI is not a licensed nurse or doctor, he did not trust CPSI to not contaminate the urine drug screen. Mr. [REDACTED] refused to take one, and was observed to be very defensive when asked if he would test positive for anything. Mr. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] no longer live at this home, as there was an argument the night before due to Mr. [REDACTED] getting arrested for drugs. Mr. [REDACTED] reported that he does not know where [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are staying and has not heard from them since the previous day.



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## Case Recording Summary

Case Id: [REDACTED]  
Case Status: Close

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
Contact Date: 05/16/2015 Contact Method: Correspondence  
Contact Time: 12:04 PM Contact Duration: Less than 05  
Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
Location: DCS Office Created Date: 05/29/2015  
Completed date: 05/29/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
Contact Type(s): Collateral Contact  
Contact Sub Type:

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

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 05/29/2015 07:55 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

On May 16, 2015 at 12:04pm, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] sent an email to [REDACTED]  
Court liaison [REDACTED] requesting her help in getting the juvenile court file in [REDACTED]



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

Case Id: [REDACTED]  
 Case Status: Close

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 05/16/2015 Contact Method:  
 Contact Time: 10:20 AM Contact Duration: Less than 15  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: DCS Office Created Date: 05/16/2015  
 Completed date: 05/16/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Safety - Child/Community, Service Planning, Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Notation  
 Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning**

**Participant(s)**

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 05/16/2015 09:33 AM Entered By [REDACTED]

On 5/16/15 at 10:20am, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] completed the safety decision making assessment in TFACTS. This resulted in [REDACTED] being conditionally safe. There is a copy of the assessment in the file.

CPSI also completed the Family Advocacy Support Tool in RedCap which resulted in a moderate risk/need for services. There is a copy of the assessment in the file.



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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]  
 Case Status: Close

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 05/16/2015 Contact Method: Face To Face  
 Contact Time: 10:00 AM Contact Duration: Less than 05  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Detention/Jail Created Date: 05/16/2015  
 Completed date: 05/16/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Collateral Contact  
 Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning**

**Participant(s)**

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 05/16/2015 10:59 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

On 5/16/15 at 10am, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] arrived at the [REDACTED] and engaged face to face with [REDACTED]. CPSI explained that she just had a few questions regarding what took place the day [REDACTED] was hurt. Mr. [REDACTED] stated that "kids were home riding their bike, I wasn't watching them, I mean, I was just outside in my yard." Mr. [REDACTED] reported that he resides at [REDACTED]. Mr. [REDACTED] reported that he is in jail "because the cops wanted my car because it does not have any tags." Mr. [REDACTED] then interrupted CPSI and asked if she would call [REDACTED]. CPSI explained that she could not make phone calls from him. At this time, Mr. [REDACTED] stated, "I have nothing else to say to you, get out of my way." CPSI attempted to ask him more questions, however, Mr. [REDACTED] left the room and went back to his cell.



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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: 05/15/2015	Contact Method:
Contact Time: 02:36 PM	Contact Duration: Less than 30
Entered By: [REDACTED]	Recorded For:
Location:	Created Date: 05/15/2015
Completed date: 05/15/2015	Completed By: [REDACTED]
Purpose(s): Service Planning	
Contact Type(s): Administrative Review	
Contact Sub Type:	

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

Narrative Type: Original      Entry Date/Time: 05/15/2015 01:38 PM      Entered By: [REDACTED]

Intake [REDACTED] was screened into [REDACTED] [REDACTED] as a Priority 1 investigation with allegations of Neglect Death and Lack of Supervision both listed as severe abuse. The investigation was assigned to Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI), [REDACTED]

Investigation: [REDACTED]

Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI): [REDACTED]

Lead Investigator (LI): [REDACTED]

Alleged Child Victim (ACV): [REDACTED] (Deceased, Date of Death 5/3/15)

Alleged Perpetrator (AP): Unknown

Mother: [REDACTED]

The ACV, [REDACTED] was in the custody of and lived with his mother [REDACTED] Sister [REDACTED] and mother's paramour [REDACTED]. On Sunday, May 3rd, 2015 the family was preparing to go to the lake. [REDACTED] age 9 and his sister, [REDACTED] age 11 were outside riding their bikes. Ms. [REDACTED] reports that a neighbor was watching the children while she was inside getting things together. [REDACTED] had safety bike gear but was not wearing it at the time. While riding his bike down this hill a car was also coming up and they collided into each other. [REDACTED] died as a result from his injuries. [REDACTED] sister, [REDACTED] was riding her bike behind him and witnessed the accident. To date there are no charges pending.

CPSI did meet with Ms. [REDACTED] and her daughter on Thursday, May 14th, 2015 at the family home. Ms. [REDACTED] did consent to a drug screen which was negative. CPSI did attempt to speak with [REDACTED] however [REDACTED] appeared to be upset and refused to speak with CPSI and shut herself into her room. Ms. [REDACTED] reports that [REDACTED] has an appointment with [REDACTED] [REDACTED] on May 15, 2015 for an intake for counseling services. Ms. [REDACTED] did sign releases to obtain medical/well-being information regarding both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. CPSI was unable to meet with [REDACTED] at this time as he had left the home.

The child fatality/near fatality report has been completed and sent to appropriate recipients.

No autopsy was completed as it was not requested at the time of death.



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

Case Id: [REDACTED]  
 Case Status: Close

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 05/14/2015 Contact Method: Phone Call  
 Contact Time: 09:43 PM Contact Duration: Less than 30  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Other Community Site Created Date: 05/16/2015  
 Completed date: 05/16/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,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: 05/16/2015 10:54 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

On 5/14/15 at 9:43pm, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] received a phone call from [REDACTED] with [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] reported that he has just arrested [REDACTED] and has found multiple drug paraphernalia in the vehicle. [REDACTED] reported that while he was in the process of arresting him, [REDACTED] showed up. [REDACTED] expressed concerns that Mr. [REDACTED] may be doing drugs as well if he is associating with Mr. [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] expressed concerns of knowing that Mr. [REDACTED] was watching [REDACTED] the day he was killed due to his drug use as well. CPSI contacted Lead Investigator (LI) [REDACTED] and advised of the new concerns. CPSI will follow up on the weekend.



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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]  
 Case Status: Close

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 05/14/2015 Contact Method: Face To Face  
 Contact Time: 04:30 PM Contact Duration: Less than 03 Hour  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Family Home Created Date: 05/16/2015  
 Completed date: 05/16/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Parent/Caretaker Interview,Sibling Interview/Observation  
 Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning**

**Participant(s)**

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 05/16/2015 10:44 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

On 5/14/15 at 4:30pm, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] arrived at [REDACTED] CPSI engaged face to face with Ms. [REDACTED], Ms. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Ms. [REDACTED] allowed CPSI to enter the home. CPSI expressed condolences for her loss. CPSI explained to Ms. [REDACTED] that the reason for the visit is due to any child death, we investigate to see what the circumstances are and if there is anything we can do for the family during this difficult time. CPSI explained that this case is confidential, and requested permission to proceed in front of her mother, Ms. [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] stated that it was okay to speak in front of her mother.

CPSI observed [REDACTED] to be sitting on the couch in the living room at first, playing on her laptop, however when CPSI and Ms. [REDACTED] began talking, [REDACTED] got up and went to her bedroom, and screamed, "I'm not talking to anyone, leave me alone."

CPSI and Ms. [REDACTED] spoke in the living room of the home. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she and her children had just moved into this home approximately 4 weeks ago. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that the home belongs to [REDACTED] and his wife [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are going through a divorce and [REDACTED] lives in [REDACTED] with their children. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she met [REDACTED] online a couple months back. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she used to live in [REDACTED] with her boyfriend [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she and [REDACTED] are no longer together. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] and her are just friends, and he offered to let her and her children live in his house since he is always gone with work.

Ms. [REDACTED] reported that in April of 2014 is when she obtained custody of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she has not had custody of them for the last 8 years. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that their biological father, [REDACTED] has had custody of them. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that the children were removed from her in [REDACTED] Tennessee "because I did not have a stable home." Ms. [REDACTED] reported that April of 2014, Mr. [REDACTED] had severely physically abused [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] so they were removed from Mr. [REDACTED] and placed in the custody of Ms. [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that the guardian ad litem is [REDACTED] out of [REDACTED] and there is a [REDACTED] who is also involved with the family. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that Mr. [REDACTED] is "on the run from [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] TN." Ms. [REDACTED] reported that Mr. [REDACTED] did not even come to the hospital when [REDACTED] was transported there, nor did he come to the funeral.



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Case Id: [REDACTED]  
 Case Status: Close

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Organization: [REDACTED]

Ms. [REDACTED] provided a contact number of [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that there is a no contact order for [REDACTED] against Mr. [REDACTED] and there is only supervised visitation with [REDACTED] and Mr. [REDACTED] which took place at [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] TN.

Ms. [REDACTED] reported that on May 2, 2015, it was a normal day; she got up and was getting ready for work, when she noticed she had a flat tire on her car. Ms. [REDACTED] stated "I knew it was going to be a bad day." Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she had made an appointment for [REDACTED] to get his haircut at 2pm at [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] TN. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that after the haircut, they went to McDonalds, and then went home. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] was in town that weekend, and they had decided that they were going to spend the afternoon at the lake. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] had gone to get his car from [REDACTED] because the manifold was messed up, and then to the bank to get cash. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she was inside the house getting snacks ready for the lake, while the children were outside riding their bikes. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that her neighbor, [REDACTED] was watching the children from his yard. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were riding on [REDACTED] which wraps around to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] "snuck off" and went out of sight of Mr. [REDACTED].

At this time, [REDACTED] comes out of her bedroom screaming, "he didn't sneak off mom, why are you lying about it," and retreats back to her bedroom and slams the door.

Ms. [REDACTED] stated, "Okay so maybe he didn't sneak off, but he went somewhere he knew he shouldn't have." Ms. [REDACTED] reported that at approximately 3:30pm, Mr. [REDACTED] came into her house and told her to call 911. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she came outside and saw [REDACTED] lying in the street. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] was coming down the hill heading south on [REDACTED] onto [REDACTED] when a car traveling west on [REDACTED] hit [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] hit the right front fender of the vehicle, which caused him to be thrown off his bike, hitting the windshield, and then onto the pavement. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that the driver of the car is [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that Mr. [REDACTED] was impaired, and had 4 cases of beer in his vehicle. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she has four other witnesses to prove that Mr. [REDACTED] was "drunk, and had the beer in his car." Ms. [REDACTED] reported that an ambulance came and took [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] at which time, he was life flighted to [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] TN. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] both have helmets and safety gear. Ms. [REDACTED] stated, "but just like most kids, they don't listen and weren't wearing their helmets or safety gear."

Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] is taking it very difficult as she was behind [REDACTED] and saw him get hit. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] has an appointment in the morning, 5/15/15 at 8:15am, at [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] TN with [REDACTED] for grief counseling.

CPSI asked Ms. [REDACTED] to explain why she and [REDACTED] were in court on 4/29/15. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] has been diagnosed as ADHD, ADD and ODD. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] has a "big problem with lashing out." Ms. [REDACTED] reported that the previous Sunday before [REDACTED] death, (4/26/15), Ms. [REDACTED] was out with [REDACTED] she was watching [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] was trying to run away because [REDACTED] was busy and would not play outside with him. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that when she got home, she was trying to make [REDACTED] get in the car, and he wouldn't, so she called 911 for an officer to come help her. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that when law enforcement came out, [REDACTED] calmed down. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she took [REDACTED] to the hospital because she was running a fever of over 102. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that while she was at the hospital, [REDACTED] started, "acting out" and "I couldn't control him" so Ms. [REDACTED] called 911 again. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that that this time, law enforcement took [REDACTED] to the justice center. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that later that evening [REDACTED] came back home, so on 4/29/15, they were in court for the unruly petition. Ms. [REDACTED] stated, "I wasn't abandoning my child, I was asking for help." Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] has a therapist, [REDACTED] psychiatrist [REDACTED] and a case manager [REDACTED] all at [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she met with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and they were trying to find a place for [REDACTED] to go to get help for his behaviors. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she did not want Child Protective Services Involved, so she took [REDACTED] back home with the hopes that something would come open to help him. Ms. [REDACTED] stated, "and then he died on Saturday."

Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are on their fathers insurance [REDACTED] as their primary, and [REDACTED] as their secondary. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she is still paying for the funeral stuff. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she has been able to pay for the embalming, casket, and the suit that [REDACTED] wore because of the gofundme.com account. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that the funeral home only covered the transportation. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she is still paying on the headstone.



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### Case Recording Summary

Case Id: [REDACTED]

Case Name: [REDACTED]

Case Status: Close

Organization: [REDACTED]

CPSI completed initial paperwork with Ms. [REDACTED] and this has been placed in the file. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] went to [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] for his primary care physician. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that all [REDACTED] mental health is done at [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] dentist is [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] TN. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] was on Vivance, Intuitive, and Abilify for all of his behaviors. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] was born at [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] TN.

At approximately 5:30pm, [REDACTED] entered the home. CPSI introduced herself, and explained that any time there is a child fatality, DCS is involved. CPSI observed Mr. [REDACTED] to be very talkative, and excited. CPSI observed Mr. [REDACTED] to keep questioning why DCS is involved. CPSI went over the investigation process to try and help him understand. Mr. [REDACTED] was very defensive and kept asking if he was going to be charged with something. CPSI explained that she is not law enforcement, and this is a long process and there will be many people spoken to during this investigation. Mr. [REDACTED] stated, "I am active duty navy, and in medical school." CPSI asked where he was stationed at and his response was [REDACTED]. CPSI observed Mr. [REDACTED] to be acting very erratic and sketchy.

CPSI asked Ms. [REDACTED] if she would consent to a urine drug screen. Ms. [REDACTED] stated that she would have no problem passing a drug screen and that she does not do drugs. At this time, Mr. [REDACTED] left the house abruptly and never returned while CPSI was there. Ms. [REDACTED] urine drug screen was negative for all substances.

CPSI took photographs of [REDACTED] bicycle; these photographs will be placed in the file. CPSI observed the home to be a two story, 4 bedrooms, two and half bathrooms. The home was furnished with what appears to be brand new furniture. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she has rented all of the recently just received all of the new furniture. CPSI observed [REDACTED] bedroom which was appropriately furnished with no safety concerns. CPSI was not able to observe [REDACTED] bedroom as she would not allow CPSI to enter.

CPSI contacted Lead Investigator [REDACTED] at approximately 6:30pm, and advised that there are at this time, no concerns with mom's behaviors, however CPSI is concerned for [REDACTED] and the toll this is taking on her. CPSI explained that she [REDACTED] has an appointment in the morning for grief counseling. CPSI explained that a follow up will take place the following week to check on her.



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Case Id: [REDACTED]  
Case Status: Close

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
Contact Date: 05/14/2015 Contact Method: Attempted Face To Face  
Contact Time: 04:29 PM Contact Duration: Less than 05  
Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
Location: Family Home Created Date: 05/16/2015  
Completed date: 05/16/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
Contact Type(s): Initial ACV Face To Face  
Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning**

[REDACTED]

**Participant(s)**

[REDACTED]

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 05/16/2015 10:46 AM Entered By [REDACTED]

There will not be a face to face with [REDACTED] as he passed away on 5/3/15, was buried on 5/9/15, and this investigation started on 5/14/15. There is a copy of the obituary in the file.



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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]  
 Case Status: Close

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 05/14/2015 Contact Method: Correspondence  
 Contact Time: 03:00 PM Contact Duration: Less than 05  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: DCS Office Created Date: 05/16/2015  
 Completed date: 05/16/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Safety - Child/Community, Service Planning, Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Collateral Contact  
 Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning**

**Participant(s)**

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 05/16/2015 10:46 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

On 5/14/15 at 3pm, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] obtained copies of media reports from [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. These articles talk about how Ms. [REDACTED] is asking for money to pay for all of the medical expenses and the funeral expenses for her son. CPSI also printed off the obituary from [REDACTED] funeral home to show that the funeral took place on May 9, 2015.



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## Case Recording Summary

Case Id: [REDACTED]  
Case Status: Close

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
Contact Date: 05/14/2015 Contact Method: Phone Call  
Contact Time: 02:30 PM Contact Duration: Less than 05  
Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
Location: DCS Office Created Date: 05/16/2015  
Completed date: 05/16/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
Contact Type(s): Parent/Caretaker Interview  
Contact Sub Type:

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

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 05/16/2015 10:47 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

On 5/14/15 at 2:30pm, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] contacted Ms. [REDACTED] at [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] CPSI explained that a home visit needed to take place today, and asked when she would be home. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she was currently in [REDACTED] area getting [REDACTED] funeral arrangements settled." Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she would be home around 5pm. CPSI will conduct a home visit at that time.



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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]  
 Case Status: Close

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 05/14/2015 Contact Method: Attempted Face To Face  
 Contact Time: 01:50 PM Contact Duration: Less than 05  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: Family Home Created Date: 05/16/2015  
 Completed date: 05/16/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,Well Being  
 Contact Type(s): Collateral Contact,Initial ACV Face To Face,Parent/Caretaker Interview  
 Contact Sub Type:

**Children Concerning**

[REDACTED]

**Participant(s)**

[REDACTED]

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 05/16/2015 10:48 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

On 5/14/15 at 1:50pm, Child Protective Services Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] and Detective [REDACTED] with [REDACTED] arrived at [REDACTED]. CPSI engaged face to face with [REDACTED] maternal grandmother at the front door. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] was currently at the grocery store and would be back within the hour. CPSI provided a contact number for [REDACTED] to contact CPSI when she arrived back home. Ms. [REDACTED] reported that she did not know [REDACTED] contact number. CPSI contacted Lead Investigator (LI) [REDACTED] to inform her of the attempted home visit. CPSI and Detective [REDACTED] observed a white Cadillac in the driveway of the home.



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**Case Recording Summary**

Case Id: [REDACTED]  
 Case Status: Close

Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Organization: [REDACTED]

**Case Recording Details**

Recording ID: [REDACTED] Status: Completed  
 Contact Date: 05/14/2015 Contact Method: Correspondence  
 Contact Time: 10:50 AM Contact Duration: Less than 05  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: DCS Office Created Date: 05/14/2015  
 Completed date: 05/14/2015 Completed By: [REDACTED]  
 Purpose(s): Permanency,Safety - Child/Community,Service Planning,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: 05/14/2015 10:02 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

Child Protective Service Investigator (CPSI) [REDACTED] did convene the Child Protective Investigative Team (CPIT) on 5/14/15 at 10:50am. This CPSI [REDACTED] did email a copy of the CPS Intake to the District Attorney's Office, [REDACTED] and Detective [REDACTED] with [REDACTED]. CPSI [REDACTED] did contact Detective [REDACTED] by phone. Detective [REDACTED] did advise CPSI [REDACTED] to conduct a minimal fact finding interview with the child. Detective [REDACTED] further advised that she will assist this CPSI [REDACTED] in conducting any perpetrator interviews or related collateral interviews.



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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: 05/14/2015 Contact Method:  
 Contact Time: 10:45 AM Contact Duration: Less than 05  
 Entered By: [REDACTED] Recorded For:  
 Location: DCS Office Created Date: 05/14/2015  
 Completed date: 05/14/2015 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)**

[REDACTED]

**Narrative Details**

Narrative Type: Original Entry Date/Time: 05/14/2015 09:59 AM Entered By: [REDACTED]

On May 13, 2015 at 5:30 pm [REDACTED] a referral was called into Child Abuse Hotline. The referral was screened into [REDACTED] as P1 with the allegations of neglect death and lack of supervision. The alleged child victim is [REDACTED] Response is due on May 14, 2015 3:38 pm [REDACTED]. The case is assigned to Investigator [REDACTED]. It is not known if this child is of Native American descent. This information will need to be obtained when response is met.

**TFacts History:**

Family Case IDs: Yes [REDACTED]  
 Open Court Custody/FSS/FCIP: Yes [REDACTED] / 4-30-15 / Unruly Petition [REDACTED] Juvenile Court)  
 Closed Court Custody: Yes [REDACTED] / DCS Custody / [REDACTED] / Begin date: 10-31-01 / End date: 9-6-02)  
 Open: No  
 Substantiated: No  
 Death: No  
 Number of Screen Outs: Yes [REDACTED]

**History (not listed above): Yes**

Begin date: 9-3-14 / [REDACTED] / Assessment / PHA / No Services Needed / [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] / End date: 9-30-14  
 Begin date: 3-17-14 / [REDACTED] / Assessment / PYA / No Services Needed / AP, [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] / End date: 9-4-14  
 Begin date: 3-10-14 / [REDACTED] / Assessment / PHA / Services Recommended and Refused / AP, [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] / End date: 5-1-14  
 Begin date: 10-4-13 / [REDACTED] / Investigation / LOS, PYA, PHA / Allegation and Perpetrator Unsubstantiated / AP, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] / End date: 2-5-14



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Case Id: [REDACTED] Case Name: [REDACTED]  
 Case Status: Close Organization: [REDACTED]

Begin date: 7-15-13 / [REDACTED] / Assessment / ENN / No Services Needed / AP, [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] / End date: 8-30-13  
 Begin date: 1-9-13 / [REDACTED] / Assessment / PHA / Services Recommended and Accepted / AP [REDACTED]  
 and [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] / End date: 8-6-13  
 Begin date: 12-16-11 / [REDACTED] / Investigation / LOS and SEE / AP, [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] / End date: 3-12-12  
 Begin date: 11-15-11 / [REDACTED] / Investigation / PHA / Allegation and Perpetrator Unsubstantiated / AP, [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] / End date: 1-28-12  
 Begin date: 12-22-09 / [REDACTED] / Assessment / PYA and PHA / No Services Needed / AP, [REDACTED] / ACV,  
 [REDACTED] End date: 3-5-10  
 Begin date: 9-10-07 / [REDACTED] / Assessment / SRPI, DEC and LOS / No Services Needed / AP, [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] / End date: 10-18-07  
 Begin date: 7-27-06 / [REDACTED] / Investigation / SRPI / Allegation and Perpetrator Unsubstantiated / AP, [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] / End date: 8-28-06  
 Begin date: 2-17-06 / [REDACTED] / Investigation / NUN / Allegation and Perpetrator Unsubstantiated / AP, [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] / ACV, [REDACTED] / End date: 3-9-06  
 Begin date: 11-7-05 / [REDACTED] / Investigation / LOS / Allegation and Perpetrator Unsubstantiated / AP, [REDACTED] /  
 ACV, [REDACTED] / End date: 2-10-06

Reporter States: \*\*\*\*The child is not in DCS custody

[REDACTED] 9) lived with his mother, [REDACTED] 29); mother's boyfriend, [REDACTED] (DOB: unknown/age approximately 35) and sister, [REDACTED] 11) in [REDACTED]

On May 2, 2015, [REDACTED] was involved in a bicycle accident. [REDACTED] was struck by a moving vehicle with his bike as he was coming down a hill. [REDACTED] was not wearing a helmet at the time. [REDACTED] was transported to [REDACTED]. It is unknown how [REDACTED] was transported to [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] passed away the next day, Sunday, May 3, 2015. Law enforcement (LE) responded to the scene. The driver (name unknown) of the car involved in the accident was reportedly not cited. [REDACTED] has an open Family Support Services case due to his unruly behavior. [REDACTED] mother is currently at their home address with his sibling(s). LE may have talked with [REDACTED] sibling(s). It is believed that his mother was interviewed by the police. At this time, there are no reports of lack of supervision. The police did not make a DCS Referral. It is unknown if there have been any previous instances of a child dying and/or suffering injuries while in the custody of his parent(s). There are no known concerns of abuse in the home. There is a history of DCS involvement with the family. It is unknown if the parent(s) and/or anyone in the home has a criminal record with LE. It is unknown if anyone in the home has issues with mental health, drugs, alcohol, and/or domestic violence.

Special Needs or Disabilities: None present in [REDACTED]

Child's current location/is the child safe at this time: N/A

Perpetrator's location at this time: At home

Any other safety concerns for the child(ren) or worker who may respond: None known

Domestic Violence present in the home: None known

Per SDM: Investigative Track, P-1, by [REDACTED], on 5/12/2015 @ 3:34pm P1 on 5/12/15 @ 5:18pm by [REDACTED].  
 Override to Screen out, does not meet a definition of abuse or neglect as established by TCA and TN DCS Policy. This screen out has been reviewed by [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] has agreed to a Screen Out response for this intake. [REDACTED] on 05/12/15 @ 7:21 PM.

Extended Intake received Wednesday, May 13, 2015, at 3:24 p.m. from [REDACTED] via email requesting that the original intake [REDACTED] be re-entered and submitted to the county as a P2 investigation. Ms. [REDACTED] states the following: "4 days prior to incident, the mother was at juvenile court regarding her son. She said his behaviors were unsafe and unmanageable. [REDACTED] (last asmt was 2 weeks prior), mental health providers, etc. had not been successful, and she wanted him in a RTC. She said he had caused her ex-boyfriend to leave her, and she was worried her current boyfriend would leave her too (because of him). She did not want him returned to her care, but agreed to do so since a CPS referral would be made if she did not. A Family Support Services (FSS) case was opened, but no safety plan was created for the family."



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**Case Recording Summary**

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

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**Assessment**

Family Name: [REDACTED]

TN DCS Intake ID #: [REDACTED]

County: [REDACTED]

Worker:

Date of Referral: 5/13/15 3:28 PM

Date of Assessment: 5/14/15 12:00 AM

Assessment Type: Initial

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): at this time the ap is unknown

#### 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: \_\_\_\_\_