

CHILD WELFARE AGENCY PUBLIC DISCLOSURE FORM

Date: October 26, 2020

Agency Name: Washoe County Human Services Agency

Agency Address: 350 S. Center St., Reno, NV 89502

Date of written notification to the Division of Child and Family Services and Legislative Auditor: March 16, 2020

Internal reference UNITY Case Number or Report Number: # 1469372

Type of Disclosure:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 48 Hour Child Fatality Notice | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 Business Day Near Fatality Notice | <input type="checkbox"/> 60 Day Update |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 9 Month/Final Update | <input type="checkbox"/> Final (Final checkbox left so that if it is a 60 day update they can select Final) | |

- Child Fatality Date of Death: March 14, 2020
 Near Fatality Date of Near Fatality:
 Portions of information on this form have been withheld at the request of (Name of agency) law enforcement.

INFORMATION FOR RELEASE

- A. Date of the notification to the child welfare agency of the death of a child:
March 14, 2020
- B. Location of child at the time of death or near fatality (city/county):
Reno, NV; Washoe County
- C. A summary of the report of abuse or neglect and a factual description of the contents of the report:
Human Services Agency received a report of a fatality about emergency services responded to a call from a family member that they found the baby face down on the ground not breathing.
- D. The date of birth and gender of child:
February 19, 2020; female
- E. The date that the child suffered the fatality or near fatality:
March 14, 2020
- F. The cause of the fatality or near fatality, if such information has been determined:
The final autopsy reported that the cause of death was: Suffocation due to Airway Obstruction of an infant while bedsharing with adults. The Manner of death was an accident.
- G. Whether the agency had any contact with the child or a member of the child's family or household before the fatality or near fatality and, if so...
- (1) The frequency of any contact or communication with the child or a member of the child's family or household before the fatality or near fatality and the date on which the last contact or communication occurred before the fatality or near fatality;
 - (2) Whether the agency which provides child welfare services provided any child welfare services to the child or to a member of the child's family or household before or at the time of the fatality or near fatality;
 - (3) Whether the agency which provides child welfare services made any referrals for child welfare services for the child or for a member of the child's family or household before or at the time of the fatality or near fatality;
 - (4) Whether the agency which provides child welfare services took any other actions concerning the welfare of the child before or at the time of the fatality or near fatality; and
 - (5) A summary of the status of the child's case at the time of the fatality or near fatality, including, without limitation, whether the child's case was closed by the agency which provides child welfare services before the fatality or near fatality and, if so, the reasons that the case was closed.

The family has no history. The boyfriend in the home is listed as a case participant in 3- IO's from 2008 and one IO from 2015. He was never identified as a perpetrator of any abuse/neglect.

The information contained in this section is limited to contact(s) with the child who is the subject of this disclosure or a member of that child's family or household that is related to the fatality or near fatality incident. This limitation is required to preserve the confidentiality of all child abuse and neglect reports and records in order to protect the rights of the child and family as mandated by the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 5101 et seq.).

Agencies to check with legal representation if language is needed.

H. Whether the agency which provides child welfare services, in response to the fatality or near fatality...

- (1) Has provided or intends to provide child welfare services to the child or to a member of the child's family or household; and
- (2) Has made or intends to make a referral for child welfare services for the child or for a member of the child's family or household; and
- (3) Has taken or intends to take any other action concerning the welfare and safety of the child or any member of the child's family or household.

This case is submitted for case closure. No present or impending danger has been identified for the other child in the home. In home therapy was provided and referrals to on-going community therapeutic resources were offered to the family.

[NON-DISCLOSURE NOTICE](#)

The following information must not be released (see Policy on Public Disclosure of Child Fatality and Near Fatality Information, page 5): 1) information regarding the sibling(s) of a deceased child; 2) a privileged communication between attorney and client; 3) information regarding the sibling(s) of a deceased child; 4) the name of the reporting party or individual making an allegation or referral will not be released; 5) if the disclosure of the information would adversely affect any pending investigation concerning a report (NRS 432B.290(4)-(5)); 6) if the disclosure violates other federal or state law, including, but not limited to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), Family Educational and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), alcohol and drug abuse patient records (42 USC §290dd-2 and 42 CFR §212 (c)(6)), and any other applicable law.