

CHILD WELFARE AGENCY PUBLIC DISCLOSURE FORM

Date: 6/21/2017

Agency Name: Clark County Department of Family Services (CCDFS)

Agency Address: 121 S. Martin Luther King Blvd.
Las Vegas, NV 89106-4309

Date of written notification to the Division of Child and Family Services and Legislative

Auditor: 6/9/2017

Internal reference UNITY ID or Report Number: 1275233

Type of Report: ☐ 48 Hour Notice ☒ 15 Day Update ☐ 30 Day Update ☐ Final

☒ **Child** **Date of Death:** 6/6/2017

Fatality

☐ **Near** **Date of Near Fatality:**

Fatality

☒ **Portions of information on this form have been withheld at the request of**
Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department law enforcement agency.
(Name of agency)

Information for Release:

A. Date of the notification to the child welfare agency of the death of a child: 6/6/2017

B. Location of child at the time of death or near fatality (city/county): Las Vegas, Clark

C. A summary of the report of abuse or neglect and a factual description of the contents of the report:

CCDFS received a report that law enforcement and emergency medical personnel responded to a local residence on a 9-1-1 call concerning an unresponsive child. The child was transported to a local hospital where she was later pronounced deceased.

D. The date of birth and gender of child: 2/23/2014, Female

E. The date that the child suffered the fatality or near fatality: 6/6/2017

F. The cause of the fatality or near fatality, if such information has been determined:

Release of the cause of the fatality will remain pending until receipt of official coroner documentation.

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 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 are 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.)

CCDFS has the following prior CPS history for this child and/or her family:

On 7/2/2015, 12/27/2015 and 3/29/2016 referrals were received that did not rise to the level of warranting an investigation and were coded "Information Only".

7/24/2003 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegations were found unsubstantiated.

5/3/2007 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegations were found unsubstantiated.

2/24/2014 – A report was received alleging abuse. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegation was found unsubstantiated.

7/18/2015 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegations were found unsubstantiated.

2/20/2016 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegations were found unsubstantiated.

CCDFS has the following additional prior CPS history for the adult in whose care the child was in at the time of the fatality:

1/4/2004 – A report was received alleging abuse and neglect. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegations were found unsubstantiated.

9/22/2007 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegations were found unsubstantiated.

9/1/2009 – A report was received alleging abuse and neglect. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegations were found unsubstantiated.

2/22/2010 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegation was found unsubstantiated.

6/4/2010 – A report was received alleging abuse. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegation was found unsubstantiated.

7/13/2010 – A report was received alleging neglect. Court action was initiated with relevant family members being determined to be in need of protection. The allegations in the report were found substantiated. The family was placed under formal supervision and a case plan put in place. An additional report alleging abuse was received on 12/19/2010. Court action was initiated in this instance and the family member was also determined to be in need of protection. The allegation of abuse was found substantiated. Appropriate referrals and

services were provided to the family. CCDFS closed its case on 12/23/2014 and the court terminated wardship.

4/8/2015 and 4/9/2015 – Report was received alleging abuse. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegation was found unsubstantiated.

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.

CCDFS opened an investigation at the time of the fatality and worked in conjunction with local law enforcement. Appropriate referrals have been provided to the family. Final disposition is pending.

NON-DISCLOSURE NOTICE

The following information must not be released (see Policy on Public Disclosure of Child Fatality and Near Fatality Information, page 4): 1) Information regarding the sibling(s) of a deceased child; 2) the name of the reporting party or individual making an allegation or referral will not be released; 3) if the disclosure of the information would adversely affect any pending investigation concerning a report (NRS 432B.290(3)); 4) 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.