CHILD WELFARE AGENCY PUBLIC DISCLOSURE FORM

Date: 1/29/2019
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: 1/7/2019. Please note that the initial disclosure was submitted not later than 5 business days of the near fatality, pursuant to NRS 432B.175(1).

Internal reference UNITY ID or Report Number: 1381733

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

☐ **Child Fatality** **Date of Death:**

☒ **Near Fatality** **Date of Near Fatality:** 12/30/2018

☐ **Portions of information on this form have been withheld at the request of (Name of agency) law enforcement agency.**

Information for Release:

A. Date of the notification to the child welfare agency of the death of a child: CCDFS was notified of the near fatality on 12/30/2018.

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 the child was taken to a local hospital due being in physical distress. Upon medical assessment the child was determined to be in critical condition. There was a concern regarding the inability to reach a parent in order obtain a consent for treatment.

D. The date of birth and gender of child: 5/22/2003, Male

E. The date that the child suffered the fatality or near fatality: 12/30/2018

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

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 his family:

9/11/2012 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegations were found substantiated.

12/29/2012 – A report was received alleging neglect. Court action was initiated and the child and another relevant family member were found to be in need of protection. The allegations in the report were substantiated. The family was placed under formal supervision and a case plan put in place. Appropriate referrals and services were provided to the family and multiple attempts to reunify the family occurred. During the course of the open case, the following reports were received:

5/22/2013 – The factual circumstances of this report did not rise to the level of warranting an investigation and was coded “Information Only.”

8/15/2013 – A report was received alleging abuse. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegations were found unsubstantiated.

9/18/2013 – A report was received alleging abuse. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegations were found substantiated.

10/8/2013 – A report was received alleging neglect, with additional information being received on 10/18/2013 and 10/24/2013. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegation was found substantiated.

10/10/2016 – The factual circumstances of this report did not rise to the level of warranting an investigation and was coded “Information Only.”

10/12/2016 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegation was found unsubstantiated.

11/4/2016 – The factual circumstances of this report did not rise to the level of warranting an investigation and was coded “Information Only.”

11/14/2016 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegation was found unsubstantiated.

12/15/2016 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegations were found unsubstantiated.

12/23/2016 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegation was found substantiated.

1/30/2017 – The factual circumstances of this report did not rise to the level of warranting an investigation and was coded "Information Only."

On 2/14/2017, the court terminated jurisdiction, and the case closed.

6/13/2017 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegation was found unsubstantiated.

9/12/2017 – A report was received alleging neglect, with additional information received on 9/20/2017. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegations were found unsubstantiated.

12/7/2017 – A report was received alleging abuse, with additional information received on 12/15/2017. Upon conclusion of a requisite investigation, the allegations were 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 has opened a case for investigation and family assessment. CCDFS will, as deemed appropriate, provide child welfare services, make referrals for child welfare services, and/or take action concerning the welfare and safety of the child and/or relevant members of the child's family or household.

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.