

CHILD WELFARE AGENCY PUBLIC DISCLOSURE FORM

Date: 1/12/15

Agency Name: Division of Child and Family Services-Carson District Office

Agency Address: 2533 N. Carson Street, Suite 100, Carson City, NV. 89706

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

Legislative Auditor: 1/12/15

Internal reference UNITY ID or Report Number: 1640871

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

Child Fatality Date of Death: 1/9/15

Near Fatality Date of Near Fatality:

Portions of information on this form have been withheld at the request of law enforcement.

(Name of agency)

Information for Release:

A. Date of the notification to the child welfare agency of the death of a child: 1/9/2015

B. Location of child at the time of death or near fatality (city/county):
Fatality: Reno/Washoe
Near Fatality: Gardnerville/Douglas County

C. A summary of the report of abuse or neglect and a factual description of the contents of the report:
On 1/7/2015, infant presented at hospital with cardiac arrest. Upon further medical examination the infant was found to have non explained head trauma. DCFS was notified that infant was pronounced deceased on 1/9/2015.

D. The date of birth and gender of child:
10/28/14; Female

E. The date that the child suffered the fatality or near fatality:
1/9/2015- Fatality
1/7/2015- Near Fatality

F. The cause of the fatality or near fatality, if such information has been determined:
The cause is undetermined at this time, autopsy results are pending.

- 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.

Washoe County Department of Social Services had had the following involvement with household members:

02/22/2013- A report was received and dispositioned as Information Only.

02/22/2013 - A report of Neglect - Physical Risk was investigated and found to be substantiated.

06/11/2013 - A report of Abuse/Neglect was investigated and found to be unsubstantiated.

04/29/2014 - A report was received and dispositioned as Information Only.

The Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) has had the following involvement with household members:

10/28/2014 - A report of Abuse - Substance Exposed Infant was investigated and found to be substantiated.

12/17/2014 - A report was received and dispositioned as Information Only.

At the time of the near fatality, DCFS had completed a family assessment and had initiated services with the family through an in-home safety plan.

- 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.

The Division of Child and Family Services will continue to complete assessment regarding the child fatality; there are no children in the home.

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.