

CHILD WELFARE AGENCY PUBLIC DISCLOSURE FORM

Date: 6/30/2022

Agency Name: Clark County Department of Family Services

Agency Address: 500 S. Grand Central Pkwy, 5th Floor, Las Vegas, NV 89155

Date of written notification to the Division of Child and Family Services and Legislative Auditor: 6/30/2022

Internal reference UNITY Case Number: 1385013

- Child Fatality** **Date of Death:** 6/29/2022
 Near Fatality **Date of Near Fatality:**
 Portions of information on this form have been withheld at the request of North Las Vegas Police Department law enforcement agency.
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INFORMATION FOR RELEASE

- A. Date of the notification to the child welfare agency of the fatality/near fatality of a child:**
6/29/2022
- B. Location of child at the time of death or near fatality (city/county):**
North 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 relating to a child in physical distress. The child was transported to a local hospital where he later coded and was pronounced deceased. Based upon medical assessment there are concerns regarding possible maltreatment.
- D. The date of birth and gender of child:**
7/18/2016, Male
- E. The date that the child suffered the fatality or near fatality:**
6/29/2022
- F. The cause of the fatality or near fatality, if such information has been determined:**
The cause and manner of death are pending official autopsy findings.
- 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 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.).

CCDFS has the following prior CPS history for this child or member of the child's family or household where he was residing at the time of the fatality incident:

1/30/2013 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of the requisite investigation, the allegations were found unsubstantiated. An appropriate referral was provided based upon assessment. The family was determined not to be in need of services and relevant family members were deemed safe. The case closed.

9/24/2021 – A referral was received and was coded "Information Only".

CCDFS has the following relevant prior CPS history for this child or member of the child's family or household outside of the home in which the fatality incident occurred:

1/16/2018 – A report was received alleging neglect. Court action was initiated, and relevant family members were determined to be in need of protection. The allegations were found substantiated. The family was placed under formal supervision and case plans were put in place. Appropriate services and referrals were provided. During the course of the open case, a report was received alleging neglect. Based upon the factual circumstances surrounding the report, the report and investigation were cancelled. On 1/2/2019, a hearing was held, and the court terminated jurisdiction and wardship with a NRS 432B.550(1)(a) order giving the appropriate parent sole, legal and physical custody of the child and relevant family members, with only supervised contact with relevant other parents until case plans were completed.

5/3/2019 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of the requisite investigation, the allegations were found unsubstantiated. Based upon assessment, the family was offered referrals and services to assist them, however they were declined. The case closed.

3/5/2020 – A report was received alleging neglect. Court action was initiated with the child and relevant family members determined to be in need of protection. The allegations were found substantiated. The family was placed under formal supervision and a case plan was put in place. Appropriate services and referrals were provided, including placement of the child with an appropriate caregiver. On 9/9/2021, a hearing was held, and the court terminated jurisdiction and wardship of the child, and the case closed.

9/27/2020 – A report was received alleging neglect. Upon conclusion of the requisite investigation, the allegation was found unsubstantiated, and the case closed.

12/16/2020 – A referral was received and was coded "Information Only".

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 intend
- (4) s 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. A companion report and investigation has also been opened with regard to other relevant household members placed with the caregivers. 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 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.