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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
Department of Children and Families
Division of Child Protection and Permanency (CP&P)
Report on Child Fatality or Near Fatality

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Child Fatality **Child Near Fatality**

Victim Information:

Identifier (Initials): N.B. **Gender:**Female
Date of Birth/Age: 10/17/09 **County of Residence:**Essex
4 yrs

Incident Information:

Date of Incident: 5/7/14 **Date CP&P Notified of Incident:**5/7/14

Allegation Type: Abuse Neglect

Disposition: Substantiated Suspected/Pending

Description of Incident: On 5/7/14, N.B.'s mother brought N.B. and her sibling to Sykita Covington, who agreed to babysit the children. Ms. Covington left her own two minor children as well as N.B and her sibling alone in her home for at least 90 minutes. During the time that the babysitter was out of the home, N.B. was fatally injured when a futon collapsed on her. CP&P completed a Child Protective Service (CPS) investigation and Ms. Covington was substantiated for neglect/child death.

Other Possible Child Victims and Living Arrangement (Gender/age of siblings or other children residing with the child victim or perpetrator only): Male, 4 years and Male, 17 months (Ms. Covington's children), residing with a relative

Historical Information:

CP&P's Involvement with the Child Victim or Family PRIOR to Fatality or Near Fatality:

- Open (Date Opened:) Closed (Date Closed:) Not Previously Known
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Types of Service Provided:

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Child Fatality **Child Near Fatality**

Victim Information:

Identifier (Initials): T.B. **Gender:**Female
Date of Birth/Age: 2/27/13 **County of Residence:**Camden
1 year

Incident Information:

Date of Incident: 3/7/14 **Date CP&P Notified of Incident:**3/7/14

Allegation Type: Abuse Neglect

Disposition: Substantiated Suspected/Pending

Description of Incident: On 3/7/14, T.B.'s parents, Samantha Youngkin and Jason Blackburn, transported her to the hospital. She was transferred to another hospital, but ultimately, she was taken to the Children's Hospital in Philadelphia (CHOP). Upon arrival, T.B. was placed on life support. Medical assessments completed at CHOP revealed a severe brain injury. T.B. remained in the hospital until she was pronounced on 3/9/14. During the course of CP&P's investigation, an autopsy report was requested. When it was received, it noted that her death was ruled as a homicide. CP&P has completed a Child Protective Service (CPS) investigation and substantiated T.B.'s parents for physical abuse/child death.

Other Possible Child Victims and Living Arrangement (Gender/age of siblings or other children residing with the child victim or perpetrator only): None

Historical Information:

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Child Fatality **Child Near Fatality**

Victim Information:

Identifier (Initials): D.D. **Gender:** Male
Date of Birth/Age: 7/1/13 **County of Residence:** Cumberland
1 yr

Incident Information:

Date of Incident: 11/11/14 **Date CP&P Notified of Incident:** 11/11/14

Allegation Type: Abuse Neglect

Disposition: Substantiated Suspected/Pending

Description of Incident: On 11/11/14, D.D. was in the home of his daycare provider, Roxanne Lacy. Ms. Lacy went into the home and left him outside unattended. D.D. wandered off into the yard and was found faced down in the Koi pond located on Ms. Lacy's property. IAIU has completed a Child Protection Service (CPS) investigation and substantiated Ms. Lacy for neglect/child death and inadequate supervision.

Other Possible Child Victims and Living Arrangement (Gender/age of siblings or other children residing with the child victim or perpetrator only): Female, age 6 months; Female, 1.5; Female, age 2; Male, age 2; Male, age 3, (other children who attend the daycare)

Historical Information:

CP&P's Involvement with the Child Victim or Family PRIOR to Fatality or Near Fatality:

Open (Date Opened:) Closed (Date Closed: 1/7/14) Not Previously Known

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If previously known and the information is pertinent to the fatality or near fatality, the date and disposition of each prior referral: On 7/29/11, a referral was made to the hotline alleging that Ms. Lacy was supervising too many children. In addition, it was reported that she yelled and screamed at the children and grabbed one of them by the hair. A CPS investigation was completed and the finding was unfounded.

On October 3, 2013, one of the children, who attended daycare, was brought to the hospital with bruises. A CPS investigation was completed and the finding was not established. This case was closed on January 7, 2014.

Types of Service Provided:

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Child Fatality **Child Near Fatality**

Victim Information:

Identifier (Initials): G.G. **Gender:**Female
Date of Birth/Age: 5/30/14 **County of Residence:**Monmouth
4.5 mths

Incident Information:

Date of Incident: 10/27/14 **Date CP&P Notified of Incident:**10/14/14

Allegation Type: Abuse Neglect

Disposition: Substantiated Suspected/Pending

Description of Incident: On 10/27/14, G.G. was co-sleeping with her father, Ryan Geary. When he woke, Mr. Geary discovered that G.G. was unresponsive. G.G. was transported to the hospital; where she was pronounced at 12:15 a.m. While caring for his daughter, Mr. Geary admitted to taking illegal and prescription drugs. CP&P has completed a Child Protective Service investigation and substantiated Mr. Geary for neglect/child death.

Other Possible Child Victims and Living Arrangement (Gender/age of siblings or other children residing with the child victim or perpetrator only): None

Historical Information:

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Child Fatality **Child Near Fatality**

Victim Information:

Identifier (Initials): N.H., A.H., **Gender:** Male, Male,
N.H. Female
Date of Birth/Age: 12/15/99/14 **County of Residence:** Burlington
yrs;
8/4/03/11 yrs;
11/25/06/8 yrs

Incident Information:

Date of Incident: 11/20/14 **Date CP&P Notified of Incident:** 11/20/14

Allegation Type: Abuse Neglect

Disposition: Substantiated Suspected/Pending

Description of Incident: On 11/20/2014, N.H., A.H., N.H., and their mother were discovered to be victims of a shooting. Upon further investigation, it was determined that the children's mother, fatally shot all three of them and then turned the gun on herself. A Child Protective Service (CPS) investigation has been completed and the children's mother has been substantiated in absentia for physical abuse/child death.

Other Possible Child Victims and Living Arrangement (Gender/age of siblings or other children residing with the child victim or perpetrator only): None

Historical Information:

CP&P's Involvement with the Child Victim or Family PRIOR to Fatality or Near Fatality:

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Types of Service Provided:

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Child Fatality **Child Near Fatality**

Victim Information:

Identifier (Initials): K.L. **Gender:**Female
Date of Birth/Age: 12/15/11 **County of Residence:**Hudson
2.5 yrs

Incident Information:

Date of Incident: 5/27/14 **Date CP&P Notified of Incident:**5/27/14

Allegation Type: Abuse Neglect

Disposition: Substantiated Suspected/Pending

Description of Incident: On May 27, 2014, K.L. was left in the care of her mother's paramour, Reinaldo Rodriguez. At some point in time, Mr. Rodriguez contacted his brother and requested that he telephone 911 as K.L. was unresponsive. K.L. was transported to the hospital and died as a result of her injuries. The M.E.'s preliminary report determined that K.L.'s injuries were the result of blunt force trauma and the cause of death was determined to be a homicide. CP&P's investigation into this matter has been completed and K.L.'s mother has been substantiated for physical abuse and neglect. Mr. Rodriguez has been substantiated for physical abuse/child death..

Other Possible Child Victims and Living Arrangement (Gender/age of siblings or other children residing with the child victim or perpetrator only):Male, age 9, Resource care; Male age 14 months, Resource care; Female, 1 month, Hospital

Historical Information:

CP&P's Involvement with the Child Victim or Family PRIOR to Fatality or Near Fatality:

- Open (Date Opened:4/7/14) Closed (Date Closed:) Not Previously Known
- The victim or family was known to CP&P but the details of such involvement are not pertinent to the fatality or near fatality and not subject to disclosure.

If previously known and the information is pertinent to the fatality or near fatality, the date and disposition of each prior referral: On 4/7/14, K.L.'s mother was reported to be pregnant, drinking, and was not ensuring that her oldest child went to school. In addition, it was alleged that K.L.'s mother

suffered from mental health issues. A Child Welfare Service (CWS) Assessment was completed and this case was opened for services.

On 5/17/14, it was alleged that K.L.'s mother was drinking, not cleaning her home, and physically abusing her children. A Child Protective Service (CPS) investigation was completed and the finding was not established.

Types of Service Provided:CWS Assessment, CPS investigation, Placement Services,

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Investigation Summary

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Child Fatality **Child Near Fatality**

Victim Information:

Identifier (Initials): L.L **Gender:** Male
Date of Birth/Age: 3/12/10 **County of Residence:** Gloucester
4 yrs

Incident Information:

Date of Incident: 6/30/14 **Date CP&P Notified of Incident:** 7/1/14

Allegation Type: Abuse Neglect

Disposition: Substantiated Suspected/Pending

Description of Incident: On 6/30/14, L.L. and his family were swimming at his grandmother's residence. L.L. got out of the pool and his swimming attire was removed. At some point in time, L.L.'s father observed him floating, face down in the pool. L.L. was taken out of the pool and CPR was provided. EMS was contacted and transported L.L. to the hospital; however, efforts to revive him were unsuccessful and he passed away. CP&P completed a Child Protective Service (CPS) investigation and substantiated both of L.L.'s parents for neglect/child death and inadequate supervision.

Other Possible Child Victims and Living Arrangement (Gender/age of siblings or other children residing with the child victim or perpetrator only): Male, 9 months; Resource provider

Historical Information:

CP&P's Involvement with the Child Victim or Family PRIOR to Fatality or Near Fatality:

- Open (Date Opened: 9/16/13) Closed (Date Closed:) Not Previously Known
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If previously known and the information is pertinent to the fatality or near fatality, the date and disposition of each prior referral: On 4/8/10, due to a overdose of illegal drugs, L.L.'s father was taken to the hospital. His mother appeared to be under the influence of drugs as well. L.L. was at the hospital with his parents. A CPS investigation was completed and L.L.'s parents were substantiated for neglect. This case was opened for services.

On November 24, 2010, while driving, L.L.'s parents were pulled over by the police. His father tried to evade the police and was seen throwing drugs out of the car's window. A CPS investigation was completed and both of L.L.'s parents were substantiated for neglect. This case was closed on February 22, 2013.

On September 16, 2013, L.L.'s mother tested positive for illegal drugs when she gave birth to L.L.'s sibling. A CPS investigation was completed and L.L.'s mother was substantiated for neglect.

Types of Service Provided: Placement, Screening and Assessment, Counseling and Therapy, Evaluation, Respite, Furniture, and Clothing,

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Child Fatality **Child Near Fatality**

Victim Information:

Identifier (Initials): D.O. **Gender:**Female
Date of Birth/Age: 1/8/12 **County of Residence:**Essex
2 yrs

Incident Information:

Date of Incident: 2/2/14 **Date CP&P Notified of Incident:**2/2/14

Allegation Type: Abuse Neglect

Disposition: Substantiated Suspected/Pending

Description of Incident: On 2/2/14, EMS personnel arrived to the family home and reported to DCF that D.O. had passed away. She was noted, by the Essex County ME, to have a number of old and new bruises throughout her body. In addition, D.O. had several rib fractures and an injury to her brain. CP&P has completed a Child Protective Service (CPS) investigation and substantiated both of D.O.'s parents for physical abuse/child death and neglect relating to her death.

Other Possible Child Victims and Living Arrangement (Gender/age of siblings or other children residing with the child victim or perpetrator only): Female, age 2 months, Resource Placement

Historical Information:

CP&P's Involvement with the Child Victim or Family PRIOR to Fatality or Near Fatality:

Open (Date Opened:7/29/11) Closed (Date Closed:) Not Previously Known

The victim or family was known to CP&P but the details of such involvement are not pertinent to the fatality or near fatality and not subject to disclosure.

If previously known and the information is pertinent to the fatality or near fatality, the date and disposition of each prior referral: On July 29, 2011, a report was made that D.O.'s sibling had been severely burned. A CPS investigation was completed and D.O.'s mother and D.O.'s sibling's father were substantiated for neglect. This case was opened for services.

On January 12, 2012, the Division was notified that D.O.'s mother had just given birth to another baby girl on January 8, 2012. In addition, it was alleged that D.O's mother lacked parenting skills, had housing issues, and was not gainfully employed. A CPS investigation was completed and the baby was removed from her care and placed by the Division.

On January 20, 2012, it was reported that D.O.'s father and her grandfather were selling drugs out of the home. A CPS investigation was completed and the finding was unfounded.

Types of Service Provided:CPS Investigations, CWS Assessments, Placement Services, Housing, Evaluations, Respite, Furniture, Pre-school care, Homemaker services, Clothing, Court Services, Transportation, Counseling, Adoption Services

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Child Fatality **Child Near Fatality**

Victim Information:

Identifier (Initials): E.P. **Gender:** Male
Date of Birth/Age: 7/27/14 **County of Residence:** Burlington
3 mths

Incident Information:

Date of Incident: 10/30/14 **Date CP&P Notified of Incident:** 10/30/14

Allegation Type: Abuse Neglect

Disposition: Substantiated Suspected/Pending

Description of Incident: On 10/29/14, E.P.'s parents were drinking. They placed E.P. and his young sibling (age 1 1/2) in bed with them. At approx 4 am, E.P.'s parents woke up and his mother noted that E.P. was not breathing. CPR was attempted by his mother and uncle. EMS and the medical examiner arrived to the home and noted that E.P. had passed away. A Child Protective Service (CPS) investigation was completed and both of E.P.'s parents were substantiated for neglect/child death.

Other Possible Child Victims and Living Arrangement (Gender/age of siblings or other children residing with the child victim or perpetrator only): Male, age 7, Male, age 5, Female, age 1 1/2; placed in Resource Homes.

Historical Information:

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If previously known and the information is pertinent to the fatality or near fatality, the date and disposition of each prior referral: On 7/23/12, it was reported that J.M.'s mother drinks excessively. It was also alleged that J.M.'s mother hits her children. A CPS investigation was completed and the finding was unfounded.

On 7/23/13, a member of law enforcement found two small children (e.g., 6 years and 8 mths) outside, near an intersection, unsupervised. The children were taken home where the police noticed that the stove was on and there was a boiling pot half way on the burner. J.M.'s mother returned to the home 10 minutes later. A CPS investigation was completed and the finding was established. This case was closed on 10/16/14.

Types of Service Provided:CPS investigations, Placement and Support services, Transportation, Language Translation services

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Child Fatality **Child Near Fatality**

Victim Information:

Identifier (Initials): L.P. **Gender:**Female
Date of Birth/Age: 11/17/10 **County of Residence:**Salem
4 yrs

Incident Information:

Date of Incident: 12/3/14 **Date CP&P Notified of Incident:**12/4/14

Allegation Type: Abuse Neglect

Disposition: Substantiated Suspected/Pending

Description of Incident: On 12/3/14, L.P. was rushed to the hospital where efforts to resuscitate her were unsuccessful. The medical examiner noted that L.P.'s death was due to blunt force trauma, which resulted in a laceration to her liver. Initial information gathered during CP&P's Child Protective Service (CPS) investigation noted that a family friend, Michael Oliver, was supervising her at the time of her fatal injuries. CP&P has completed a Child Protective Service (CPS) investigation and has substantiated Mr. Oliver for physical abuse/child death.

Other Possible Child Victims and Living Arrangement (Gender/age of siblings or other children residing with the child victim or perpetrator only):None

Historical Information:

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Types of Service Provided:

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Child Fatality **Child Near Fatality**

Victim Information:

Identifier (Initials): T.E. **Gender:** Male
Date of Birth/Age: 1/1/03 **County of Residence:** Union
11 yrs

Incident Information:

Date of Incident: 9/6/14 **Date CP&P Notified of Incident:** 9/10/14

Allegation Type: Abuse Neglect

Disposition: Substantiated Suspected/Pending

Description of Incident: On 9/6/14, law enforcement responded to T.E.'s home and discovered he and his father had been fatally shot. Reportedly, T.E.'s father shot him and then turned the firearm on himself. CP&P has completed a Child Protective Service (CPS) investigation into this matter and has substantiated T.E.'s father in absentia for physical abuse/child death..

Other Possible Child Victims and Living Arrangement (Gender/age of siblings or other children residing with the child victim or perpetrator only): None

Historical Information:

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Victim Information:

Identifier (Initials): J.F. **Gender:** Male
Date of Birth/Age: 7/14/14 **County of Residence:** Middlesex
2 mths

Incident Information:

Date of Incident: 9/10/14 **Date CP&P Notified of Incident:** 9/10/14

Allegation Type: Abuse Neglect

Disposition: Substantiated Suspected/Pending

Description of Incident: On 9/10/14, J.F. was swaddled in a blanket, placed on his belly, and put in a crib for a nap. At least 2 hours passed before anyone checked on J.F. When the employee at the daycare center, Tanya Choy, checked on him, she discovered that he had passed away. The Institutional Abuse and Investigative Unit (IAIU) has substantiated Ms. Choy for neglect/child death and have substantiated other daycare staff for neglect/inadequate supervision.

Other Possible Child Victims and Living Arrangement (Gender/age of siblings or other children residing with the child victim or perpetrator only):

Historical Information:

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Child Fatality **Child Near Fatality**

Victim Information:

Identifier (Initials): J.G. **Gender:** Male
Date of Birth/Age: 11/29/13 **County of Residence:** Camden
2 mths

Incident Information:

Date of Incident: 2/2/14 **Date CP&P Notified of Incident:** 2/2/14

Allegation Type: Abuse Neglect

Disposition: Substantiated Suspected/Pending

Description of Incident: On 2/2/14, J.G. was rushed to hospital and was placed on life support. Efforts to resuscitate him were unsuccessful and he passed away. While at the hospital, medical assessments were completed which revealed that J.G. had suffered several significant brain injuries. During the time that J.G. was injured, he was in the care of his father. CP&P has completed a Child Protective Service (CPS) investigation and has substantiated J.G.'s father for physical abuse/child death.

Other Possible Child Victims and Living Arrangement (Gender/age of siblings or other children residing with the child victim or perpetrator only): Two females, age 7, one Female, age 8, all residing in an approved resource home

Historical Information:

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Child Fatality **Child Near Fatality**

Victim Information:

Identifier (Initials): K.H. **Gender:** Male
Date of Birth/Age: 7/31/12 **County of Residence:** Union
23 mths

Incident Information:

Date of Incident: 7/4/14 **Date CP&P Notified of Incident:** 7/4/14

Allegation Type: Abuse Neglect

Disposition: Substantiated Suspected/Pending

Description of Incident: On 7/4/14, K.H.'s parents found him unresponsive and contacted 911. Upon arrival, EMS personnel determined that K.H. had expired. During CP&P's investigation, it was learned that his father had come home intoxicated and slept with him and his mother. It was during this time that K.H. was injured. CP&P has completed a Child Protective Service (CPS) investigation and has substantiated both of K.H.'s parents for neglect/inadequate supervision and substantial risk of physical injury related to his death.

Other Possible Child Victims and Living Arrangement (Gender/age of siblings or other children residing with the child victim or perpetrator only): None

Historical Information:

CP&P's Involvement with the Child Victim or Family PRIOR to Fatality or Near Fatality:

Open (Date Opened:) Closed (Date Closed:) Not Previously Known

The victim or family was known to CP&P but the details of such involvement are not pertinent to the fatality or near fatality and not subject to disclosure.

If previously known and the information is pertinent to the fatality or near fatality, the date and disposition of each prior referral:

Types of Service Provided:

Date and type of CP&P's last contact with the child victim prior to fatality or near fatality:

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Child Fatality **Child Near Fatality**

Victim Information:

Identifier (Initials): J.M. **Gender:** Male
Date of Birth/Age: 7/25/12 **County of Residence:** Essex
2 yrs

Incident Information:

Date of Incident: 10/17/14 **Date CP&P Notified of Incident:** 10/18/14

Allegation Type: Abuse Neglect

Disposition: Substantiated Suspected/Pending

Description of Incident: On 10/18/14, due to J.M. being unresponsive, emergency services were contacted. EMS transported J.M to the hospital; however, he was pronounced dead on arrival. The Essex County ME reported that J.M. suffered significant lower body injuries as well as an injury to his brain. CP&P completed a Child Protective Service (CPS) investigation and substantiated J.M. mother's paramour, Najee Culley, for physical abuse/child death and his mother for neglect/substantial risk of physical injury and inadequate supervision.

Other Possible Child Victims and Living Arrangement (Gender/age of siblings or other children residing with the child victim or perpetrator only): Male, age 1 month, Resource Home

Historical Information:

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Child Fatality **Child Near Fatality**

Victim Information:

Identifier (Initials): J.R. **Gender:** Male
Date of Birth/Age: 8/31/13 **County of Residence:** Hudson
4 mths

Incident Information:

Date of Incident: 12/08/13 **Date CP&P Notified of Incident:** 12/8/13

Allegation Type: Abuse Neglect

Disposition: Substantiated Suspected/Pending

Description of Incident: On 12/8/13, J.R. was co-sleeping with his mother. When his father returned home, he discovered that J.R. was lying underneath his mother and was unresponsive. EMS personnel was contacted and J.R. was transported to the hospital. While at the hospital, J.R. was placed on a respirator and it was determined by medical staff that his prognosis was "poor." J.R.'s parents were permitted to take him home and hospice as well as 24-hour nursing care was provided. J.R. passed away on 1/11/14. During the investigation of this incident, it was learned that J.R.'s mother was intoxicated when she was caring for him, and she would typically place her son in the bed with her. CP&P has completed a Child Protective Service (CPS) investigation and substantiated J.R.'s mother, Z.R., for neglect/child death.

Other Possible Child Victims and Living Arrangement (Gender/age of siblings or other children residing with the child victim or perpetrator only): None

Historical Information:

CP&P's Involvement with the Child Victim or Family PRIOR to Fatality or Near Fatality:

- Open (Date Opened:) Closed (Date Closed: 3/23/05) Not Previously Known
- The victim or family was known to CP&P but the details of such involvement are not pertinent to the fatality or near fatality and not subject to disclosure.

If previously known and the information is pertinent to the fatality or near fatality, the date and disposition of each prior referral: On 3/3/99, a report was made to the hotline noting that Z.R.'s children were home alone and that a 13-year-old babysits them; however, it was alleged that this

person did not stay the entire time to supervise. A CWS Assessment was completed by the Hudson South LO. This case remained open for services.

On 5/20/01, an allegation was made that Z.R. was abusing illegal substances and that she was leaving her child alone. A CPS investigation was completed by the Hudson North LO and the finding was unsubstantiated. This case remained open for services.

On 10/29/01, a referral was generated noting that Z.R had left her child with another person until “she gets her life in order.” A CPS investigation was completed by the Hudson North LO and the finding was substantiated. This case was closed on 3/23/05, after the child was adopted by the caregiver.

Types of Service Provided:CPS investigations, CWS Assessment, Nursing Services, In-home Services, Assessment/Consultation Services, Substance Use Services, Adoption Services, Court Services, and Placement Services

Date and type of CP&P’s last contact with the child victim prior to fatality or near fatality: N/A

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Child Fatality **Child Near Fatality**

Victim Information:

Identifier (Initials): I.S. **Gender:**Female
Date of Birth/Age: 2/22/14 **County of Residence:**Essex
7 mths

Incident Information:

Date of Incident: 9/23/14 **Date CP&P Notified of Incident:**9/23/14

Allegation Type: Abuse Neglect

Disposition: Substantiated Suspected/Pending

Description of Incident: On 9/23/14, it was reported that I.S. was not moving or breathing. I.S. was rushed to the hospital; however, she was pronounced dead on arrival. The medical examiner reported that I.S. died of a morphine overdose, which her mother admitted to giving to her. CP&P has completed a Child Protective Service (CPS) investigation and substantiated I.S. mother for physical abuse and neglect related to her daughter's death.

Other Possible Child Victims and Living Arrangement (Gender/age of siblings or other children residing with the child victim or perpetrator only): None

Historical Information:

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Child Fatality **Child Near Fatality**

Victim Information:

Identifier (Initials): M.Z. **Gender:** Male
Date of Birth/Age: 2/16/13 **County of Residence:** Passaic
19 mths

Incident Information:

Date of Incident: 9/4/14 **Date CP&P Notified of Incident:** 9/5/14

Allegation Type: Abuse Neglect

Disposition: Substantiated Suspected/Pending

Description of Incident: On 9/4/14, M.Z. was rushed to the hospital unresponsive. Upon arrival, hospital staff noted that M.Z. showed no signs of life and was pronounced dead. His mother's paramour, Victor Sainz admitted that he had struck him in the chest on 9/3/14. CP&P completed a Child Protective Service (CPS) investigation, and Mr. Sainz has been substantiated for physical abuse/child death.

Other Possible Child Victims and Living Arrangement (Gender/age of siblings or other children residing with the child victim or perpetrator only): None

Historical Information:

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