

## Child Fatality and Near Fatality External Review Panel

### Summary of Case Reviews and Findings

May 16, 2016

Case Number Categorization	Determination	Risks that May Have Contributed to the Fatal/Near Fatal Event	Case Notes	Action Items
F-05-15-NC  Abusive Head Trauma	Abusive Head Trauma  Physical Abuse  Medical Neglect	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cognitive disability, father</li> <li>• Education issues</li> <li>• Financial struggles</li> <li>• Mental health issues</li> <li>• Neglectful entrustment</li> <li>• Substance abuse, caregiver</li> <li>• Substitute caregiver at time of event</li> <li>• Unstable housing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Good coordination by law enforcement and coroner</li> </ul>	
F-07-15-C  Physical Abuse	Physical Abuse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Family violence</li> <li>• Serial relationships</li> <li>• Substance abuse, caregiver</li> <li>• Substitute caregiver at time of event</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DCBS did not interview paramour</li> <li>• DCBS did not take custody of 4 month old sibling</li> <li>• No request to seek medical exam for sibling</li> </ul>	
F-14-15-C  Unsafe Sleep	Pending review at next meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DCBS history</li> <li>• Family violence</li> <li>• Impaired caregiver</li> <li>• Substance abuse, caregiver</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mental health assessment requested/not completed</li> <li>• Delayed investigation by DCBS</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Put on Agenda for July</li> <li>• Request birth records, Drug court records, toxicology screen</li> <li>• Request additional review by social work analyst</li> </ul>
F-15-15-C  Blunt Force Trauma – Motor Vehicle Collision	Neglect/Impaired Caregiver  Neglect/Inadequate Child Restraint	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Criminal history</li> <li>• Impaired caregiver</li> <li>• Inadequate restraint</li> <li>• Mental health issues, caregiver</li> <li>• Substance abuse, caregiver</li> </ul>		

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<b>NF-08-15-C</b>  Blunt Force Trauma – Motor Vehicle Collision	Neglect/Impaired Caregiver  Neglect/Inadequate Restraint	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cognitive disability, caregiver</li> <li>• DCBS history</li> <li>• Family violence</li> <li>• Impaired caregiver</li> <li>• Inadequate restraint</li> <li>• Medically fragile</li> <li>• Substance abuse, caregiver</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Toxicology – positive for substances</li> <li>• Poor coordination between traffic enforcement and DCBS</li> </ul>	
<b>NF-10-15-C</b>  Blunt Force Trauma – Motor Vehicle Collision	Neglect/Impaired Caregiver  Neglect/Inadequate Child restraint	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Criminal history, caregiver</li> <li>• DCBS history</li> <li>• Impaired caregiver</li> <li>• Inadequate restraint</li> <li>• Incarceration history</li> <li>• Substance abuse in home</li> <li>• Substance abuse, caregiver</li> </ul>		
<b>NF-16-15-NC</b>  Physical Abuse	Physical Abuse  Torture  Neglect/Medical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Substitute caregiver at time of event</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bystander called in report of abuse</li> <li>• Good DCBS/LE joint investigation</li> </ul>	
<b>NF-19-15-NC</b>	NO Abuse or Neglect		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Court properly rejected Dependency, Neglect or Abuse Petition</li> <li>• Pediatrician handled case well</li> </ul>	
<b>NF-24-15-NC</b>	NO Abuse or Neglect			

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NF-25-15-C  Overdose/Ingestion	Neglect/General  Neglect/Impaired Caregiver  Neglect/Unsafe Access to Deadly Means	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cognitive disability, caregiver</li> <li>• DCBS history</li> <li>• Environmental neglect</li> <li>• Medically fragile</li> <li>• Neglectful entrustment</li> <li>• Substance abuse in home</li> <li>• Substance abuse, caregiver</li> <li>• Unsafe access to deadly means</li> </ul>		
NF-27-15-C  Natural Causes/Medical Diagnosis	Neglect/General  Neglect/Medical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cognitive disability, caregiver</li> <li>• DCBS history</li> <li>• Family violence</li> <li>• Judicial process issues</li> <li>• Mental health issues, caregiver</li> <li>• Medically fragile</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Insufficient DCBS intervention/Five prior unsubstantiated medical neglect investigations</li> </ul>	
NF-29-15-NC  Overdose/Ingestion	Neglect/Unsafe Access to Deadly Means	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Substance abuse, caregiver</li> <li>• Unsafe access to deadly means</li> </ul>		
NF-30-15-NC  Physical Abuse Burn	Physical Abuse  Torture  Neglect/Medical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medical neglect</li> <li>• Neglectful entrustment</li> <li>• Serial relationships</li> <li>• Substance abuse, caregiver</li> <li>• Substitute caregiver at time of event</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thorough DCBS/LE joint investigation</li> <li>• Emergency custody order denied by the court</li> </ul>	

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<b>NF-31-15-NC</b>  Abusive Head Trauma Physical Abuse	Abusive Head Trauma  Physical Abuse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Family violence</li> <li>• Mental health issues, caregiver</li> <li>• Neglectful entrustment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Good DCBS/LE joint investigation</li> </ul>	
<b>NF-32-15-NC</b>  Physical Abuse	Physical Abuse  Neglect/General  Neglect/Medical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Criminal history, caregiver</li> <li>• Family violence</li> <li>• Mental health issues, caregiver</li> <li>• Serial relationships</li> <li>• Substance abuse, caregiver</li> <li>• Unstable housing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No drug testing at time of event</li> <li>• Adjudication delayed in family court</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Need Court Documents</li> </ul>
<b>NF-36-15-C</b>	Not a Near Fatality			
<b>NF-38-15-NC</b>  Physical Abuse				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Request law enforcement records</li> <li>• Put on Agenda for July</li> </ul>
<b>NF-40-15-C</b>  Natural Causes/Medical Diagnosis	Neglect/Medical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DCBS history</li> <li>• Impaired caregiver</li> <li>• Medical neglect</li> <li>• Mental health issues, caregiver</li> <li>• Substance abuse, caregiver</li> </ul>		
<b>NF-46-15-C</b>  Physical Abuse	Abusive Head Trauma Physical Abuse  Neglect/General  Neglect/Medical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cognitive disability, caregiver</li> <li>• Criminal History</li> <li>• DCBS history</li> <li>• Neglectful entrustment</li> <li>• Substance abuse, caregiver</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Good internal review by DCBS</li> <li>• LE should have contacted DCBS</li> </ul>	

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NF-57-15-C	Neglect/General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cognitive disability, caregiver</li> <li>• Criminal history, caregiver</li> <li>• DCBS history</li> <li>• Education/childcare issues</li> <li>• Evidence of Poor Bonding</li> <li>• Financial struggles</li> <li>• Medical neglect</li> <li>• Mental health issues</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Request Family Preservation report</li> </ul>