

Child Fatality and Near Fatality External Review Panel
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Case Number	Categorization	Family Characteristics	Family Characteristics Comments	Panel Determination	Other Qualifiers
F-016-21-C	Neglect; SUDI/near-SUDI/apparent life-threatening event	DCBS issues; DCBS history; Coroner issues; Criminal history (caregiver); Criminal history (in the home); Law enforcement issues; Environmental neglect; Financial issues; Housing instability; Lack of treatment (mental health or substance abuse); Other; Serial relationships; Statutory Issues; Substance abuse (in home); Substance abuse by caregiver (current); Unsafe sleep (bed sharing)	Incident occurred during COVID restrictions resulting in use of occasional virtual contacts.	Neglect (unsafe sleep); Neglect (general - can include leaving child with unsafe caregiver)	Apparently accidental; Potentially preventable
F-020-20-C	Blunt force trauma - not inflicted MVC; Neglect	Criminal history (caregiver); Criminal history (in the home); DCBS history; Domestic Violence; Impaired caregiver; Law enforcement issues; Other; Substance abuse (in home); Substance abuse by caregiver (current); Coroner issues	Incident occurred when COVID restrictions were in place. DCBS contacts with the family were virtual	Neglect (impaired caregiver); Neglect (general - can include leaving child with unsafe caregiver)	Apparently accidental; Potentially preventable
F-055-20-PH	Suicide (child)	Bystander issues/opportunities; DCBS history; Mental health issues (child)		No abuse or neglect	Potentially preventable
F-061-20-PH	Natural causes/medical diagnosis	Cognitive disability (child); DCBS history; Medically fragile child		No abuse or neglect	
NF-012-20-NC	Overdose/ingestion	Criminal history (in the home); Supervisional neglect; Unsafe access to deadly means		Neglect due to unsafe access to deadly/potentially deadly means; Supervisory neglect	Apparently accidental; Potentially preventable

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NF-020-20-C	Physical abuse; Neglect	Bystander issues/opportunities; Cognitive disability (caregiver); Criminal history (caregiver); Criminal history (in the home); DCBS issues; DCBS history; Domestic Violence; Financial issues; Lack of regular child care; Law enforcement issues; Other; Overwhelmed Caregiver; Substitute caregiver at time of event ; Neglectful entrustment	Incident occurred prior to COVID restrictions, but restrictions contributed to court delays, virtual hearings, lack of day care for kinship provider, virtual contacts, etc	Physical abuse; Neglect (general - can include leaving child with unsafe caregiver)	Potentially preventable
NF-028-20-C	Blunt force trauma - not inflicted MVC; Neglect	Criminal history (caregiver); Criminal history (in the home); DCBS history; Domestic Violence; Financial issues; Housing instability; Impaired caregiver; Lack of treatment (mental health or substance abuse); MAT involvement; Mental health issues (caregiver); Serial relationships; Substance abuse (in home); Substance abuse by caregiver (current); Supervisional neglect		Supervisory neglect; Neglect (impaired caregiver); Neglect (general - can include leaving child with unsafe caregiver)	Apparently accidental; Potentially preventable
NF-032-20-C	Blunt force trauma - not inflicted (farm machinery, ATV, fall)	Medically fragile child		No abuse or neglect	Apparently accidental

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NF-037-20-C	Overdose/ingestion	Cognitive disability (caregiver); Cognitive disability (child); DCBS history; DCBS issues; Environmental neglect; Financial issues; Law enforcement issues; Medical neglect; Medically fragile child; Mental health issues (caregiver); Supervisional neglect; Unsafe access to deadly means		Neglect (medical); Neglect due to unsafe access to deadly/potentially deadly means; Supervisory neglect	Apparently accidental; Potentially preventable
NF-044-20-C	Neglect	Commonwealth/County Attorneys; Criminal history (caregiver); Criminal history (in the home); DCBS history; DCBS issues; Domestic Violence; Environmental neglect; Family violence; Medical issues/management; Medical neglect; Medically fragile child; Other; Overwhelmed Caregiver	Lack of transportation - COVID 19 restrictions	Neglect (general - can include leaving child with unsafe caregiver); Neglect (medical)	Potentially preventable
NF-057-20-C	Neglect	DCBS history; DCBS issues; Medical neglect; Medically fragile child; Other; Overwhelmed Caregiver	Lack of transportation	Neglect (medical)	Potentially preventable
NF-060-20-C	Overdose/ingestion	Cognitive disability (child); Environmental neglect; MAT involvement; Other; Supervisional neglect; Unsafe access to deadly means	COVID 19 delayed access to mother's records	Neglect due to unsafe access to deadly/potentially deadly means; Supervisory neglect	Apparently accidental; Potentially preventable

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NF-077-20-C	Neglect	Cognitive disability (child); DCBS history; Domestic Violence; Financial issues; Housing instability; Lack of family support system ; Lack of treatment (mental health or substance abuse); Medical neglect; Medically fragile child; Mental health issues (caregiver); Mental health issues (child); Overwhelmed Caregiver		Neglect (medical)	Apparently accidental; Potentially preventable
NF-099-20-C	Blunt force trauma - not inflicted MVC; Neglect	Criminal history (caregiver); Criminal history (in the home); DCBS history; DCBS issues; Domestic Violence; Financial issues; Impaired caregiver; Mental health issues (child); Other; Substance abuse (in home); Substance abuse by caregiver (current); Education/child care issues	Incident occurred during COVID restrictions – the index child was attending school virtually.	Neglect (impaired caregiver)	Apparently accidental; Potentially preventable
NF-105-20-C	Overdose/ingestion; Neglect	Criminal history (caregiver); Criminal history (in the home); DCBS history; DCBS issues; Bystander issues/opportunities; Domestic Violence; Environmental neglect; Financial issues; Housing instability; Lack of treatment (mental health or substance abuse); Medical issues/management; Medical neglect; Statutory Issues; Substance abuse (in home); Substance abuse by caregiver (current); Other; Supervisional neglect; Unsafe access to deadly means	incident occurred during COVID restrictions resulting in use of virtual communication with family and partners	Neglect (general - can include leaving child with unsafe caregiver); Neglect (medical); Neglect due to unsafe access to deadly/potentially deadly means; Supervisory neglect	Apparently accidental; Potentially preventable

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NF-111-20-C	Burn; Neglect	DCBS issues; DCBS history; Criminal history (caregiver); Environmental neglect; Financial issues; Housing instability; Lack of treatment (mental health or substance abuse); Mental health issues (caregiver); Neglectful entrustment; Other; Out of State CPS History; Substance abuse (in home); Substance abuse by caregiver (current); Supervisional neglect; Substitute caregiver at time of event ; Unsafe access to deadly means; Statutory Issues; Criminal history (in the home)	COVID restrictions were in place prior to the incident, school based counseling for the index child had stops, and contact was made within COVID protocol	Neglect (general - can include leaving child with unsafe caregiver); Supervisory neglect; Neglect due to unsafe access to deadly/potentially deadly means	Apparently accidental; Potentially preventable
NF-114-20-C	Neglect; Overdose/ingestion	DCBS history; Environmental neglect; Financial issues; Housing instability; Lack of treatment (mental health or substance abuse); Mental health issues (caregiver); Overwhelmed Caregiver; Supervisional neglect; Unsafe access to deadly means		include leaving child with unsafe caregiver); Neglect due to unsafe access to deadly/potentially deadly means; Supervisory neglect	Potentially preventable; Apparently accidental
NF-115-20-C	Abusive head trauma; Physical abuse	Commonwealth/County Attorneys; Domestic Violence; Impaired caregiver; Medical issues/management; Mental health issues (caregiver); Other; Substance abuse (in home); Substance abuse by caregiver (current); Substitute caregiver at time of event	COVID restrictions affected investigation/communication	Physical abuse; Abusive head trauma; Sexual abuse	Potentially preventable

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NF-119-20-NC	Neglect; Overdose/ingestion	Criminal history (caregiver); Criminal history (in the home); Environmental neglect; Other; Perinatal depression (caregiver); Substance abuse (in home); Substance abuse by caregiver (current); Supervisional neglect; Unsafe access to deadly means; Mental health issues (caregiver)	COVID restrictions were in place during time of incident, limiting support for family and virtual home visits by DCBS	Neglect due to unsafe access to deadly/potentially deadly means; Neglect (general - can include leaving child with unsafe caregiver); Supervisory neglect	Apparently accidental; Potentially preventable