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This report, prepared pursuant to section 20(5) of the Social Services Law (SSL), concerns:

- A report made to the New York Statewide Central Register of Child Abuse and Maltreatment (SCR) involving the death of a child.
- The death of a child for whom child protective services has an open case.
- The death of a child whose care and custody or custody and guardianship has been transferred to an authorized agency.
- The death of a child for whom the local department of social services has an open preventive service case.

The Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) is mandated by section 20 of the SSL to investigate or cause for the investigation of the cause and circumstances surrounding the death, review such investigation, and prepare and issue a fatality report in regard to the categories of deaths noted above involving a child, except where a local or regional fatality review team issues a report, as authorized by law.

Such report must include: the cause of death; the identification of child protective or other services provided or actions taken regard to such child and child's family; any extraordinary or pertinent information concerning the circumstances of the child's death; whether the child or the child's family received assistance, care or services from the social services district prior to the child's death; any action or further investigation undertaken by OCFS or the social services district since the child's death; and as appropriate, recommendations for local or state administrative or policy changes.

This report contains no information that would identify the deceased child, his or her siblings, the parent, parents, or other persons legally responsible for the child, and any members of the deceased child's household.

By statute, this report will be forwarded to the social services district, chief county executive officer, chairperson of the local legislative body of the county where the child died and the social services district that had legal custody of the child, if different. Notice of the issuance of this report will be sent to the Speaker of the Assembly and the Temporary President of the Senate of the State of New York.

This report may **only** be disclosed to the public by OCFS pursuant to section 20(5) of the SSL. **It may be released by OCFS only after OCFS has determined that such disclosure is not contrary to the best interests of the deceased child's siblings or other children in the household.**

OCFS' review included an examination of actions taken by individual caseworkers and supervisors within the social services district and agencies under contract with the social services district. The observations and recommendations contained in this report reflect OCFS' assessment and the performance of these agencies.



Abbreviations

Relationships

BM-Biological Mother	SM-Subject Mother	SC-Subject Child
BF-Biological Father	SF-Subject Father	OC-Other Child
MGM-Maternal Grand Mother	MGF-Maternal Grand Father	FF-Foster Father
PGM-Paternal Grand Mother	PGF-Paternal Grand Father	DCP-Day Care Provider
MGGM-Maternal Great Grand Mother	MGGF-Maternal Great Grand Father	PGGF-Paternal Great Grand Father
PGGM-Paternal Great Grand Mother	MA/MU-Maternal Aunt/Maternal Uncle	PA/PU-Paternal Aunt/Paternal Uncle
FM-Foster Mother	SS-Surviving Sibling	

Contacts

LE-Law Enforcement	CW-Case Worker	CP-Case Planner
Dr.-Doctor	ME-Medical Examiner	EMS-Emergency Medical Services
DC-Day Care	FD-Fire Department	BM-Biological Mother
CPR-Cardio-pulmonary Resuscitation		

Allegations

FX-Fractures	II-Internal Injuries	L/B/W-Lacerations/Bruises/Welts
S/D/S-Swelling/Dislocation/Sprains	C/T/S-Choking/Twisting/Shaking	B/S-Burns/Scalding
P/Nx-Poisoning/ Noxious Substance	XCP-Excessive Corporal Punishment	PD/AM-Parent's Drug Alcohol Misuse
CD/A-Child's Drug/Alcohol Use	LMC-Lack of Medical Care	EdN-Educational Neglect
EN-Emotional Neglect	SA-Sexual Abuse	M/FTTH-Malnutrition/Failure-to-thrive
IF/C/S-Inadequate Food/ Clothing/ Shelter	IG-Inadequate Guardianship	LS-Lack of Supervision
Ab-Abandonment	OTH/COI-Others	

Miscellaneous

IND-Indicated	UNF-Unfounded	SO-Sexual Offender
Sub-Substantiated	Unsub-Unsubstantiated	DV-Domestic Violence
LDSS-Local Department of Social Service	ACS-Administration for Children's Services	NYPD-New York City Police Department
PPRS-Purchased Preventive Rehabilitative Services	TANF-Temporary Assistance to Needy Families	FC-Foster Care
MH-Mental Health	ER-Emergency Room	



Case Information

Report Type: Child Deceased
Age: 3 year(s)

Jurisdiction: Kings
Gender: Female

Date of Death: 03/13/2016
Initial Date OCFS Notified: 03/13/2016

Presenting Information

During the evening of 3/13/16, the parents left the 3-year-old child in the bathtub for an unspecified time. Upon their return the child was found unresponsive. EMS brought the child to the hospital where she was pronounced dead on arrival. Suspicious bruises were observed the child's left thigh. The parents had no explanation for the bruises or the cause of the child's death. The report alleged that when the father realized the 3-year-old child was dead, he grabbed the 4-year-old surviving sibling's arm and forced the sibling to watch the 3-year-old child's body. The sibling was observed with ligature marks around his neck, scratches on his back, an inflicted red line on his inner thigh, and a rash on his face which was consistent with someone being strangled.

Executive Summary

The fatality report concerns the death of a 3-year-old female child. The family had no prior CPS history. There were a total of four reports regarding the death of the child. The reports listed the allegations of DOA/Fatality, L/B/W, LOS, and IG of the children by the parents. The ME listed the cause of death as Drowning and the manner of death as homicide. ACS documented that in addition to a 4-year-old sibling who reside in the United States, there is a 1-year-old female, who resides in China with relatives.

ACS gathered information about the circumstances of the SC's death and the SS from the ME, law enforcement, father, attending doctors, and SS. ACS obtained copies of the SS medical prognosis, from the attending doctors at the hospital.

ACS learned that on 3/16/16 the SC and the SS were disciplined by BM and made to stand in a corner. The SC urinated on herself while standing in the corner. Thereafter, BM placed the SC's head in what appeared to be a bucket of water, leading to the child's death. The BF reportedly attempted CPR on SC; however, the SC remained unresponsive. The SC died on 03/13/16.

On 03/15/16 ACS interviewed BF. ACS documented the BF denied any knowledge of abuse or maltreatment of the children by the mother.

On 03/15/16, CPS staff spoke with the ME. The ME reported observing bruising on both sides of child's scalp as well as the shoulders, back, hands, and hips consistent with drowning (homicide). The ME reported, based on information from law enforcement, the mother used a plastic basin of water as a form of punishment, leading to the drowning of the SC.

ACS observed the SS in Maimonides Hospital on 03/14/16. The SS was observed with a red rash over his entire face, multiple bruises on the inside of his left arm, and back. ACS also observed a ligature mark on his left leg. ACS learned that the rash was the result of a medical condition which was being treated.

LE informed ACS that the BM, admitted to holding the SC's face under water, causing her to drown. ACS



interviewed the DA, who stated the BM was charged with Murder in the Second Degree, Manslaughter in the the First Degree, and Endangering the Welfare of a Child. The DA also noted that there is a full Order of Protection (OOP) against BM for the SS.

The SC was not enrolled in school; however, prior to the report, the SS attended the Chinese American Association. The family had no other involvement in any Community Based services.

ACS Specialist documented that while interviewing collaterals, a daycare worker at the preschool the 4-year-old child attended, reported the BF had been referred to the Sunshine House for services related to conflict resolution. There was no documentation to reflect that a full assessment regarding DV was completed. Additionally, there was no referrals for a medical or clinical assessment of the father.

During the course of the investigation, ACS completed the Safety and Risk Assessment forms. The decisions made and documented on these forms were appropriate.

ACS has met regularly with the SS and caretakers to ensure implementation of services. ACS was ordered by Family Court to provide supervision, through ACS's Family Service Unit. ACS referred the family for preventive services through the Child Center of New York. The SS is receiving Trauma Therapy, from the New York Asian Women's Center. the BF was re-referred for services, Sunshine House in April 2016.

On 06/10/2016 ACS substantiated the allegations of LOS, C/T/S, DOA/Fatality, L/B/W, and IG, of the children by the parents. The case remains open for services. The BF is currently engaged in services . The BM was arrested on 3/16/16 and is currently incarcerated at Rikers Island Rose M. Singer Center. The next Kings County Criminal Court hearing is 11/09/16.

Findings Related to the CPS Investigation of the Fatality

Safety Assessment:

- **Was sufficient information gathered to make the decision recorded on the:**
 - **Approved Initial Safety Assessment?** No
 - **Safety assessment due at the time of determination?** No
- **Was the safety decision on the approved Initial Safety Assessment appropriate?** Yes

Determination:

- **Was sufficient information gathered to make determination(s) for all allegations as well as any others identified in the course of the investigation?** No,sufficient information was gathered to determine some allegations only.
- **Was the determination made by the district to unfound or indicate appropriate?** No

Explain:

ACS did not document how a table prevented SS (age 4), and children in the home from accessing a pipe. ACS did not interview BM. ACS did not document Medical Consultant after BF disclosed medical information. ACS did not document observing SS (age 1) awake in China. ACS did not document interview of maternal relatives. ACS did not



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document obtaining vital records for SS (age 1).

Was the decision to close the case appropriate?

N/A

Was casework activity commensurate with appropriate and relevant statutory or regulatory requirements?

No

Was there sufficient documentation of supervisory consultation?

Yes, the case record has detail of the consultation.

Explain:

The SS (age 4) was assessed on 3/14/16 and a determination was made by Brooklyn Family court to remand SS (age 4) to ACS. ACS also documented, successful and unsuccessful contact with family from the beginning of the report until the end of the case conclusion. There is documentation of Supervisor/consultation. ACS did not make diligent efforts to observe SS (age 1) awake.

Required Actions Related to the Fatality

Are there Required Actions related to the compliance issue(s)? Yes No

Issue:	Pre-Determination/Nature, Extent and Cause of Any Condition
Summary:	ACS did not document, each allegation LOS, and IG separately and did not accurately explain the basis for substantiating the Lack of Supervision for the parents. ACS failed to add allegation of EXCP against the father.
Legal Reference:	18 NYCRR 432.2(b)(3)(iii)(c)
Action:	ACS must submit a corrective action plan within 45 days that identifies the action the agency has taken or will take to address the citations identified in the fatality report. ACS must meet with the staff involved with this fatality investigation and inform NYCRO of the date of the meeting, who attended and what was discussed.
Issue:	Face-to-Face Interview (Subject/Family)
Summary:	ACS made face to face contact with BM and BM relatives but failed to interview or document interviews. ACS did not document observing SS (age 1) while awake.
Legal Reference:	18 NYCRR 432.2(b)(3)(ii)(a)
Action:	ACS must submit a corrective action plan within 45 days that identifies the action the agency has taken or will take to address the citations identified in the fatality report. ACS must meet with the staff involved with this fatality investigation and inform NYCRO of the date of the meeting, who attended and what was discussed.
Issue:	Overall Completeness and Adequacy of Investigation
Summary:	The parents were prescribed pain medication but ACS did not follow up with medical doctor to obtain further information. ACS did not make diligent efforts regarding the whereabouts and well-being of the 1-year-old SS.
Legal Reference:	SSL 424(6); 18 NYCRR 432.2(b)(3)
Action:	ACS must submit a corrective action plan within 45 days that identifies the action the agency has taken or will take to address the citations identified in the fatality report. ACS must meet with the staff involved with this fatality investigation and inform NYCRO of the date of the meeting, who



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attended and what was discussed.

Issue:	Adequacy of services following the fatality
Summary:	ACS did not document referral for employment and housing services for BF, after BF notified ACS of hardship. ACS did not document referral to HRA after paternal relatives disclosed financial hardship in caring for SS (age 4).
Legal Reference:	18 NYCRR 432.2(b)(4);428.6
Action:	ACS must submit a corrective action plan within 45 days that identifies the action the agency has taken or will take to address the citations identified in the fatality report. ACS must meet with the staff involved with this fatality investigation and inform NYCRO of the date of the meeting, who attended and what was discussed.

Fatality-Related Information and Investigative Activities

Incident Information

Date of Death: 03/13/2016

Time of Death: 09:18 PM

County where fatality incident occurred:

KINGS

Was 911 or local emergency number called?

Yes

Time of Call:

08:27 PM

Did EMS to respond to the scene?

Yes

At time of incident leading to death, had child used alcohol or drugs? No

Child's activity at time of incident:

Sleeping

Working

Driving / Vehicle occupant

Playing

Eating

Unknown

Other

Did child have supervision at time of incident leading to death? Yes

Is the caretaker listed in the Household Composition? Yes - Caregiver

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At time of incident supervisor was: Unknown if they were impaired.

Total number of deaths at incident event:

Children ages 0-18: 001

Household Composition at time of Fatality

Household	Relationship	Role	Gender	Age
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Deceased Child's Household	Deceased Child	Alleged Victim	Female	3 Year(s)
Deceased Child's Household	Father	Alleged Perpetrator	Male	30 Year(s)
Deceased Child's Household	Mother	Alleged Perpetrator	Female	24 Year(s)
Deceased Child's Household	Sibling	Alleged Victim	Male	4 Year(s)
Other Household 1	Sibling	No Role	Female	2 Year(s)

LDSS Response

On 3/14/16 ACS documented a visit to the hospital within 24 hours of receipt of the SCR report. ACS staff observed the surviving sibling to have a red rash over his entire face, multiple bruises on the inside of his left arm, multiple bruises on his back, three long ligature marks on neck, and a ligature mark on his left leg. The ACS specialist spoke with the physician and was informed the surviving sibling would be kept for observation. The physician indicated there were signs of child abuse and noted the parents' statements were not consistent with the injuries noted on the sibling's body.

On 03/14/16, ACS documented interview with the surviving sibling who stated the BM had placed his and the SC's head under water multiple times. The sibling also disclosed that he gets hit on his buttocks and legs by the parents. ACS also learned the BM initially reported to LE, that she was giving the SC a bath, stepped away for a few minutes, and when she returned she saw the SC lying unresponsive in the bathtub. LE explained there was suspicion regarding the mother's explanation because the SC's body was not wet; only her head. The ME also informed ACS that the BM's account was not consistent with the marks on SC body. LE discussed the case circumstances with the ME who said the death was deemed suspicious and ruled the death of SC a homicide, by way of drowning.

On 3/ 14/16, ACS documented face to face contact with neighbors at the case address. ACS documented that the neighbors had no concerns regarding the family.

Also on 3/14/16, ACS filed an Article Ten abuse petition on behalf of the two surviving siblings naming the parents as respondent. ACS learned that there was another child age one-year -old who had been living with the parents until March 2015 . The one-year-old had been sent to China to reside with her grandparents. The Kings County Family Court remanded the 4-year-old surviving child to the Commissioner of ACS and on 3/17/16 vacated the Order to Show Cause and Order to Produce the one-year-old, as it was "verified" that the child was in China. ACS documented that the child was observed sleeping when they viewed her via "WEChat."

On 3/15/16 ACS documented that the father provided ACS with a brief time line of events pertaining to the child's death and told the Specialist he was not present when the BM held the SC's head under water, and had not seen any marks or bruises on the sibling.

On 3/15/16 ACS documented phone contact with the pediatrician for the children and learned on 1/6/16 SC was seen for a well check up, there were no reported marks, bruises or injuries. The sibling was seen on 3/11/16 and was treated for a medical condition; there were no reported marks or bruises. The pediatrician reported last seeing the one-year-old in March 2015 at age six months, there were no reported marks, bruises or injuries.

On 3/18/16 ACS documented face to face contact of paternal relatives to complete an expedited home study as a remand of the 4-year-old surviving sibling had been granted. The surviving sibling was placed with the paternal relatives on 3/21/16 and discharged to them by the court on 04/04/16 .



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On 3/20/16 ACS documented a re-interview of father who reported the SC's death as an accident, but did not provide any additional data

ACS attempted to ascertain the whereabouts of SS female (age 1) who was allegedly residing in China with family members. ACS observed this child sleeping through a web chat computer program on several occasions. ACS did not obtain concrete information to ascertain the identity of the child they observed on video.

ACS continues to provide supervised visits between the sibling and his father. An OOP against BM for SS remains in effect until April 2017.

Official Manner and Cause of Death

Official Manner: Homicide

Primary Cause of Death: From an injury - external cause

Person Declaring Official Manner and Cause of Death: Medical Examiner

Multidisciplinary Investigation/Review

Was the fatality investigation conducted by a Multidisciplinary Team (MDT)?No

Comments: The investigation adhered to previously approved protocols for joint investigation.

Was the fatality reviewed by an OCFS approved Child Fatality Review Team?No

Comments: There is no OCFS approved Child Fatality Review Team in the New York City Region.

SCR Fatality Report Summary

Alleged Victim(s)	Alleged Perpetrator(s)	Allegation(s)	Allegation Outcome
031462 - Deceased Child, Female, 3 Yrs	031464 - Mother, Female, 24 Year(s)	DOA / Fatality	Substantiated
031462 - Deceased Child, Female, 3 Yrs	031467 - Father, Male, 30 Year(s)	DOA / Fatality	Unsubstantiated
031462 - Deceased Child, Female, 3 Yrs	031467 - Father, Male, 30 Year(s)	Lacerations / Bruises / Welts	Unsubstantiated
031466 - Sibling, Male, 4 Year(s)	031467 - Father, Male, 30 Year(s)	Inadequate Guardianship	Substantiated
031466 - Sibling, Male, 4 Year(s)	031464 - Mother, Female, 24 Year(s)	Choking / Twisting / Shaking	Substantiated
031466 - Sibling, Male, 4 Year(s)	031464 - Mother, Female, 24 Year(s)	Excessive Corporal Punishment	Substantiated
031466 - Sibling, Male, 4 Year(s)	031464 - Mother, Female, 24 Year(s)	Inadequate Guardianship	Substantiated
031466 - Sibling, Male, 4 Year(s)	031467 - Father, Male, 30 Year(s)	Choking / Twisting / Shaking	Unsubstantiated



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031466 - Sibling, Male, 4 Year(s)	031464 - Mother, Female, 24 Year(s)	Lack of Supervision	Substantiated
031466 - Sibling, Male, 4 Year(s)	031467 - Father, Male, 30 Year(s)	Lack of Supervision	Substantiated
031466 - Sibling, Male, 4 Year(s)	031467 - Father, Male, 30 Year(s)	Lacerations / Bruises / Welts	Unsubstantiated

CPS Fatality Casework/Investigative Activities

	Yes	No	N/A	Unable to Determine
All children observed?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
When appropriate, children were interviewed?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alleged subject(s) interviewed face-to-face?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
All 'other persons named' interviewed face-to-face?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Contact with source?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
All appropriate Collaterals contacted?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Was a death-scene investigation performed?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Was there discussion with all parties (youth, other household members, and staff) who were present that day (if nonverbal, observation and comments in case notes)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Coordination of investigation with law enforcement?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did the investigation adhere to established protocols for a joint investigation?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Was there timely entry of progress notes and other required documentation?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Fatality Safety Assessment Activities

	Yes	No	N/A	Unable to Determine
Were there any surviving siblings or other children in the household?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Was there an adequate safety assessment of impending or immediate danger to surviving siblings/other children in the household named in the report:				
Within 24 hours?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
At 7 days?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
At 30 days?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Was there an approved Initial Safety Assessment for all surviving	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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siblings/ other children in the household within 24 hours?				
Are there any safety issues that need to be referred back to the local district?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

When safety factors were present that placed the surviving siblings/other children in the household in impending or immediate danger of serious harm, were the safety interventions, including parent/caretaker actions adequate?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Fatality Risk Assessment / Risk Assessment Profile

	Yes	No	N/A	Unable to Determine
Was the risk assessment/RAP adequate in this case?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
During the course of the investigation, was sufficient information gathered to assess risk to all surviving siblings/other children in the household?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Was there an adequate assessment of the family's need for services?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did the protective factors in this case require the LDSS to file a petition in Family Court at any time during or after the investigation?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Were appropriate/needed services offered in this case	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Placement Activities in Response to the Fatality Investigation

	Yes	No	N/A	Unable to Determine
Did the safety factors in the case show the need for the surviving siblings/other children in the household be removed or placed in foster care at any time during this fatality investigation?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Were there surviving siblings/other children in the household removed as a result of this fatality report/investigation?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If Yes, court ordered?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Explain as necessary:
 According to the case record, the SS (male age 4) was hospitalized on 03/13/16 as a result of injuries sustained. An Article Ten Petition was filed and a remand was granted for the SS.

Legal Activity Related to the Fatality



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Was there legal activity as a result of the fatality investigation?

Family Court

Criminal Court

Order of Protection

Family Court Petition Type: FCA Article 10 - CPS		
Date Filed:	Fact Finding Description:	Disposition Description:
03/14/2016	There was not a fact finding	There was not a disposition
Respondent:	031467 Father Male 30 Year(s)	
Comments:		

Family Court Petition Type: FCA Article 10 - CPS		
Date Filed:	Fact Finding Description:	Disposition Description:
03/14/2016	Adjudicated Abused	There was not a disposition
Respondent:	031464 Mother Female 24 Year(s)	
Comments:		

Criminal Charge: Murder Degree: 2			
Date Charges Filed:	Against Whom?	Date of Disposition:	Disposition:
03/15/2016	Biological Mother	Pending	The Disposition is pending.
Comments:	According to the case record, BM was charged with Murder in the Second Degree, Manslaughter and Endangering the Welfare of a Child. According to NYC Department of Corrections web site as of 10-12-16; The next criminal court hearing is 11-09-2016 at Brooklyn Criminal Court.		

Criminal Charge: Manslaughter Degree: NA			
Date Charges Filed:	Against Whom?	Date of Disposition:	Disposition:
03/15/2016	Biological Mother	Pending	The Disposition is pending.
Comments:	According to the case record, BM was charged with Murder in the Second Degree, Manslaughter and Endangering the Welfare of a Child. According to NYC Department of Corrections web site as of 10-12-16; The next criminal court hearing is 11-09-2016 at Brooklyn Criminal Court.		

Criminal Charge: Endangering the welfare of a child Degree: NA			
Date Charges Filed:	Against Whom?	Date of Disposition:	Disposition:
03/15/2016	Biological Mother	Pending	The Disposition is pending.



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Comments: According to the case record, BM was charged with Murder in the Second Degree, Manslaughter and Endangering the Welfare of a Child. According to NYC Department of Corrections web site as of 10-12-16; The next criminal court hearing is 11-09-2016 at Brooklyn Criminal Court.

Have any Orders of Protection been issued? Yes

From: 03/14/2016

To: 04/07/2017

Explain:
ACS documented that a Full OOP, Order was granted by Brooklyn Family Court, against BM for SS male 4-year-old.

Services Provided to the Family in Response to the Fatality

Services	Provided After Death	Offered, but Refused	Offered, Unknown if Used	Needed but not Offered	Needed but Unavailable	N/A	CDR Lead to Referral
Bereavement counseling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Economic support	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Funeral arrangements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Housing assistance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mental health services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Foster care	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Health care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Legal services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Family planning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Homemaking Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parenting Skills	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Domestic Violence Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Early Intervention	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alcohol/Substance abuse	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Child Care	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Intensive case management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Family or others as safety resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Additional information, if necessary:

The family received PPRS services. The SS received Trauma Informed Services. BF engaged in parenting classes. The BF was referred to parenting classes and bereavement counseling. The BF expressed hardship and needed assistance with



several resources including housing. LDSS did not document whether the BF was referred to an employment or housing resource center.

Were services provided to siblings or other children in the household to address any immediate needs and support their well-being in response to the fatality? Yes

Explain:
The services provided to the SS to address his immediate needs and support his well being in response to the fatality included; Emergency Medical care, Trauma Informed Therapy, Children's Advocacy, and placement with paternal relatives.

Were services provided to parent(s) and other care givers to address any immediate needs related to the fatality? Yes

Explain:
The services provided to parents and other caregivers to address immediate needs related to the fatality included; a referral to parenting classes as well as assistance in paying for the SC's funeral.

History Prior to the Fatality

Child Information

- Did the child have a history of alleged child abuse/maltreatment? No
- Was there an open CPS case with this child at the time of death? No
- Was the child ever placed outside of the home prior to the death? No
- Were there any siblings ever placed outside of the home prior to this child's death? No
- Was the child acutely ill during the two weeks before death? No

CPS - Investigative History Three Years Prior to the Fatality

There is no CPS investigative history in NYS within three years prior to the fatality.

CPS - Investigative History More Than Three Years Prior to the Fatality

According to CONNECTIONS database, there does not appear to be any CPS history more than three years prior to the fatality.

Known CPS History Outside of NYS

There is no known CPS History outside of New York State.



Required Action(s)

Are there Required Actions related to compliance issues for provisions of CPS or Preventive services ?

Yes No

Preventive Services History

There is no record of Preventive Services History provided to the deceased child, the deceased child’s siblings, and/or the other children residing in the deceased child’s household at the time of the fatality.

Legal History Within Three Years Prior to the Fatality

Was there any legal activity within three years prior to the fatality investigation? There was no legal activity

Recommended Action(s)

Are there any recommended actions for local or state administrative or policy changes? Yes No

Action:	During the investigation stage ACS staff should interview all family members of the Alleged subject (if there is any face to face or phone contact with members).
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Are there any recommended prevention activities resulting from the review? Yes No