



# Critical Case Coordinated Review

Case Name/Number/County:

Preliminary Cause of Death:

Director Review Recommended:

Relevant Household Member Information:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Relationship to Child</u>

### Criteria Met for a Critical Case Coordinated Review:

- Child death in which the child, or another child in the household, was the subject of either a child abuse or family assessment in the previous 12 months.
- Child death in which the child, or another child in the household, had 2 or more rejected intakes in the previous 12 months.
- Child death in which the child, or another child in the household, was adopted from foster care in the previous 12 months of the fatality.
- Child death that occurs during an open service case.
- Child death in which the child lived in a foster home or household that provided daycare services.
- Case determined by the Director or a Division Administrator to warrant a CCC review

### Key Points - Highlighted Summary

***This review is intended to focus on the past three years. "Questions to explore" are intended as guidance only, ALL questions are not necessarily applicable or require a response.***

### Family Conflict

This item refers to how much fighting and arguing occurred between family members. Domestic violence refers to physical fighting in which family members might get hurt.

Questions to explore:

- Did members of the family get along well?
- Did arguments escalate to physical altercations?

Comments:

### **Caregiver Economic Stability**

This item rates the caregivers' ability to consistently have met daily needs, such as affordable and safe housing, childcare, adequate income, healthy food, and reliable transportation.

Questions to explore:

- Did the caregiver ever struggle financially?
- Did the caregiver ever worry they won't have enough money to meet needs?
- How stable was the family's life at the time of the critical incident?
- Speak to home environment?

Comments:

### **Caregiver Parenting Behaviors**

This item rates the caregiving behaviors of the primary caregivers. The item rates if the caregiver gave developmentally appropriate care and followed the care-based recommendations of professionals (e.g., physicians).

Questions to explore:

- Had the caregiver been identified with any developmental/intellectual disabilities; mental health issues; substance abuse, medical/physical and do any of them have a negative impact on caregiving capacity?
- Did caregivers provide developmentally appropriate supervision?
- Did caregivers meet the basic caregiving needs of the child, following through on the recommendations of professionals (e.g., physicians, counselors, etc.)?

Comments:

### **Child/Youth Developmental/Intellectual, Mental Health, and Medical/Physical Challenges**

This item describes the child/youth's development as compared to standard developmental milestones, as well as rates the presence of any developmental (motor, social, and speech) or intellectual disabilities. Also used to describe the child/youth's mental health (not substance use or dependence). A formal diagnosis is not required to score this item.

Questions to explore:

- Did the child/youth's growth and development seem age appropriate?
- Had the child/youth been screened for any developmental problems?
- Did the child/youth have any mental health needs?
- Were the child/youth's mental health needs interfering with their functioning?
- How was the child/youth's health?
- Did the child/youth have any chronic conditions or physical limitations?

Comments:

### **Information Integration**

Challenges with externally sourced information or utilizing internal agency information available through previous assessment and case contacts (e.g., obtaining or using medical records, school records/assessments, criminal records, formal assessments).

Questions to explore:

- How did you decide what records to request in this case?
- Were historical records on previous services requested?
- How were assessments used to plan services?

Comments:

### **Policy Issues**

Questions to explore:

- What policies or forms affected this case?
- How did it impact decisions?
- What would have been more helpful?

Comments:

### **Practice Items/Training/Service Help Desk**

Questions to explore:

- What trainings affected decision-making in this case?
- Were needed trainings helpful and available?
- What trainings and/or practice guidance would have been useful?

Comments:

### **INFORMATION SYSTEM ISSUES**

Questions to explore:

- What system enhancements would have supported better practice or decision making on this case?

Comments:

**Utilization of Contracted, Intragency, and Community Services**

Questions to explore:

- What services are available in the area?
- How accessible are those services?
- How effective do services appear to be?

Comments:

**Questions That Remain**

Comments:

**Review Team Recommendations**

Comments: