

Fatalities

Bucks

- 1.) A 2-year-old male died on December 2, 2020, as a result of physical abuse. Bucks County Children and Youth founded the report on October 6, 2022, naming the victim child's father as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, the victim child sustained a gunshot wound to the head and emergency medical services were contacted. The child subsequently died as the result of the gunshot wound sustained. An autopsy revealed the gunshot wound was self-inflicted. It was determined through the investigation, that the father pled guilty to the criminal charges regarding the incident on April 8, 2022. There were no other children in the home at the time of the incident and no services were provided. At the time the report was founded, the father had a disposition of criminal charges. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.

Cumberland

- 2.) A 20-month-old male child died on December 24, 2021, as a result of physical abuse. Cumberland County Children and Youth Services indicated the report on December 2, 2022, naming the victim child's mother as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, the victim child was found face down and unresponsive by the mother. The child was transported to the hospital and presented with bruising on the neck, eyes, shoulder, and arm. The child was pronounced dead. An autopsy revealed there was fluid in the child's lungs and brain leading to asphyxiation. It was determined through the investigation that the mother was the primary caregiver of the child at the time of the incident and did not provide a plausible explanation for the injuries sustained. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the one other child in the home at the time of the incident was placed with the father and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, no criminal charges had been filed. The family was previously known to child welfare. This victim child was the subject of a previous fatality incident.

Dauphin

- 3.) A 5-year-old female child died on September 27, 2022, as a result of physical abuse and sexual abuse. Dauphin County Social Services for Children and Youth indicated the report on October 28, 2022, naming the victim child's father as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported that the victim child fell, was found unresponsive by the father, and the child was transported to the local hospital. Upon arrival at the hospital, the child presented with bruising to the face, torso, and lower abdomen and subsequently was pronounced dead. An autopsy revealed the child received extensive injuries indicative of physical and sexual abuse and the manner of death was homicide. It was determined through the investigation that the father was the sole caregiver of the child at the time of the incident and did not provide a plausible explanation for the injuries sustained. There were no other children in the home at the time of the incident and no services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the father had been criminally charged. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.

Lancaster

- 4.) A 3-month-old female child died on September 23, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. Lancaster County Children and Youth Social Services Agency indicated the report on November 23, 2022, naming the victim child's mother as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child was choking and emergency medical services were contacted. The child was subsequently pronounced dead. The autopsy revealed the child died as a result of accidental asphyxiation. It was determined through the investigation that the mother was the sole caregiver of the child at the time of the incident. There were no other children in the home at the time of the incident and no services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the criminal investigation was pending. The family was previously known to child welfare.
- 5.) A 1-week-old male child died on October 11, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Lancaster County Children and Youth Social Services Agency indicated the report on November 29, 2022, naming the victim child's mother as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported that the victim child was found unresponsive, and emergency medical services were contacted. The child was subsequently pronounced dead. It was determined through the investigation that the mother co-slept with the child while under the influence of illegal substances. There was one other child in the home at the time of the incident that was placed in kinship care and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the criminal investigation was pending. The family was previously known to child welfare.
- 6.) A 15-month-old male child died on October 18, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. Lancaster County Children and Youth Social Services Agency indicated the report on December 13, 2022, naming the victim child's three siblings as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, the victim child was shot by another child in the home. Emergency medical services were contacted, and the child was pronounced dead. It was determined through the investigation that two of the siblings were the sole caregivers of the children at the time of the incident and were not properly supervising the children; the one other sibling left a loaded firearm unsupervised and accessible to the children at the time of the incident. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the six other children in the home at the time of the incident were placed with a relative and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the criminal investigation was pending. The family was previously known to child welfare.

Luzerne

- 7.) A 2-month-old male child died on November 20, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Luzerne County Children and Youth Agency indicated the report on December 8, 2022, naming the victim child's father as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, the victim child was found unresponsive with blood on the nose by the father and emergency medical services were contacted. The child presented to the hospital with brain bleeds, retinal hemorrhage, and a bruise on the right jaw. The injuries sustained were indicative of traumatic injury. It was determined through the investigation that the father was the sole caregiver of the child at the time the injuries were sustained. As the result of the safety

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assessment completed, the two other children in the home at the time of the incident were placed with their respective parent. The family received services. At the time the report was indicated, the father had been criminally charged. The family was previously known to child welfare.

Monroe

- 8.) A 9-month-old female child died on August 27, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. Monroe County Children and Youth Services indicated the report on October 14, 2022, naming the victim child's mother and father as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child was found by the father and the child was not breathing between the mattress and wall. The mother contacted emergency medical services. The child presented to the hospital with no pulse and was put on a ventilator. The child was subsequently pronounced dead. It was determined through the investigation that the mother and the father left the child unsupervised which contributed to the injuries sustained leading to the child's death. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the four other children in the home at the time of the incident remained in the home and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the criminal investigation was pending. The family was previously known to child welfare.

Philadelphia

- 9.) A 12-year-old male child died on November 5, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Philadelphia Department of Human Services indicated the report on December 12, 2022, naming the victim child's maternal cousin as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, the victim child was fatally shot while visiting the maternal cousin's home. It was determined through the investigation that the maternal cousin illegally owned the firearm the child was shot with and this cousin was the sole caregiver of the child at the time of the incident. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the three other children in the home at the time of the incident remained in the home and no services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the maternal cousin had been criminally charged. The family was previously known to child welfare.
- 10.) A 7-month-old female child died on August 21, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. The Department of Human Services, Office of Children, Youth, and Families' Southeast Regional Office indicated the report on October 18, 2022, naming the victim child's kinship caregiver as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child was found by the kinship caregiver, unresponsive and wedged between the bed and the wall. Emergency medical services were contacted and the child was transported to the local children's hospital. The child was subsequently pronounced dead. It was determined through the investigation that the kinship caregiver left the child unsupervised which contributed to the injuries sustained leading to the child's death. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the two other children in the home at the time of the incident remained in the home and no services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, no criminal charges had been filed. The family was previously known to child welfare.

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- 11.) A 5-month-old male child died on September 12, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Philadelphia Department of Human Services indicated the report on October 12, 2022, naming the victim child's mother's paramour as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child was acting and eating abnormally therefore emergency medical services were contacted. The child presented to the hospital with blood on the brain, retinal hemorrhages, and a cervical ligamentous injury. The injuries sustained were indicative of abuse. It was determined through the investigation, that the mother's paramour was the sole caregiver of the child at the time of the incident. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the one other child in the home at the time of the incident remained in the home with the mother and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the criminal investigation was pending. The family was previously known to child welfare.

Washington

- 12.) A 3-month-old female child died on August 11, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Washington County Children and Youth Services indicated the report on October 5, 2022, naming the victim child's mother and father as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, it was reported that the victim child was co-sleeping with the mother and the father; the mother awoke to find the child not breathing and unresponsive. Emergency medical services were contacted, and the child was transported to the hospital. Upon arrival at the hospital, the child was pronounced dead. It was determined through the investigation that the mother and the father were co-sleeping with the child and drug paraphernalia was present in the home. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the one other child in the home at the time of the incident was placed in kinship care and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated the mother and the father had been criminally charged. The family was previously known to child welfare.

York

- 13.) A 5-year-old female child died on August 22, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. York County Office of Children, Youth, and Families indicated the report on October 21, 2022, naming the victim child's mother's paramour as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, the victim child was fatally stabbed with a knife by the mother's paramour and the police were contacted. It was determined through the investigation that the mother's paramour admitted to stabbing the child. There were no other children in the home at the time of the incident and no services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the perpetrator had been criminally charged. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.

Near Fatalities

Allegheny

- 1.) A 1-month-old male child nearly died on September 27, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Allegheny County Office of Children, Youth, and Families indicated the report on November 16, 2022, naming the victim child's mother

and father as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child fell from a stroller onto the floor during an intimate partner violence incident. The mother and the father transported the child to the local hospital. The child presented to the hospital with a right parietal skull fracture, right parietal subarachnoid hemorrhage, and a right parietal skull hematoma. It was determined through the investigation that the mother and the father caused the injuries during the domestic dispute. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the two other children in the home at the time of the incident remained in the home and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, no criminal charges had been filed. The family was previously known to child welfare.

- 2.) A 2-year-old female child nearly died on March 14, 2019, as a result of serious physical neglect. Allegheny County Office of Children, Youth, and Families founded the report on November 1, 2022, naming the victim child's father as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, the victim child was found unresponsive in the family swimming pool by the father and emergency medical services were contacted. It was determined through the investigation that the father left the child unsupervised with access to the uncovered pool. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the one other child in the home at the time of the incident remained in the care of the mother and the father and services were provided. At the time the report was founded, the father had a disposition of criminal charges. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.
- 3.) A 2-month-old male child nearly died on September 21, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Allegheny County Office of Children, Youth, and Families indicated the report on October 19, 2022, naming the victim child's father as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, the victim child was transported to the children's hospital due to fussiness and abnormal marks on the child's body. The child presented to the hospital with bruising to the face, upper arms, chest, retinal hemorrhages to the left eye, and bilateral subdural hematomas. The injuries sustained were indicative of abuse. It was determined through the investigation that the father was the sole caregiver of the child at the time of the incident and the father did not provide a plausible explanation for the injuries sustained. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child was placed with a relative and services were provided. There were no other children in the home at the time of the incident. At the time the report was indicated, the father had been criminally charged. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.
- 4.) A 1-month-old male child nearly died on September 13, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Allegheny County Office of Children, Youth, and Families indicated the report on November 15, 2022, naming the victim child's mother and father as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child sustained injuries from being swaddled too tightly and was transported to the emergency room. The child presented to the hospital with a femur fracture, bruising on the body, and hemorrhaging of the eye. It was determined through the investigation that the explanation provided by the mother and the father was not a plausible explanation for the injuries sustained. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the one other child in the home at the time of the incident were placed in

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kinship foster care and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the mother and the father had been criminally charged. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.

- 5.) A 3-year-old male child nearly died on September 15, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Allegheny County Office of Children, Youth, and Families indicated the report on October 11, 2022, naming the victim child's father as the perpetrator. On the date of incident, the victim child sustained a gunshot wound to the head during a domestic dispute. It was determined through the investigation that during a domestic dispute the father pulled a gun and the gun discharged, shooting the child. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the one other child in the home at the time of the incident remained in the care of the mother and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the father had been criminally charged. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.

Armstrong

- 6.) A 1-month-old female child nearly died on October 11, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Armstrong County Children and Youth Services indicated the report on November 8, 2022, naming the victim child's mother as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child was dropped by the mother who was under the influence of alcohol and emergency medical services were contacted. The child was transported to the hospital and presented with a left parietal skull fracture and hematomas. It was determined through the investigation that the mother was under the influence of the alcohol at the time of incident and dropped the child causing the injuries. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim remained in the care of the father and services were provided. There were no other children in the home at the time of the incident. At the time the report was indicated, the mother had been criminally charged. The family was previously known to child welfare.

Bedford

- 7.) A 12-year-old male child nearly died on October 24, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Bedford County Children and Youth Services indicated the report on December 19, 2022, naming the victim child's mother's paramour as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, the victim child and a sibling were shot by the mother's paramour during a domestic dispute. It was determined through the investigation that the mother's paramour shot the child. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the three other children in the home at the time of the incident remained in the mother's care and no services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, no criminal charges had been filed. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement. The victim child's sibling was also the subject of a near fatality report.
- 8.) A 15-year-old female child nearly died on October 24, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Bedford County Children and Youth Services indicated the report on December 19, 2022, naming the victim child's mother's paramour as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, the victim child and a sibling were

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shot by the mother's paramour during a domestic dispute. It was determined through the investigation that the mother's paramour shot the child. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the three other children in the home at the time of the incident remained in the mother's care and no services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, no criminal charges had been filed. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement. The victim child's sibling was also the subject of a near fatality report.

Blair

- 9.) A 2-day-old male child nearly died on October 26, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Blair County Children, Youth, and Families indicated the report on October 28, 2022, naming the victim child's mother and father as the perpetrators. On September 9, 2022, the victim child attended a newborn preventative appointment and presented with a linear bruise on left side of face, abrasions to the nose, severe diaper rash, and concerns regarding proper care of circumcision. Further medical testing revealed a skull fracture, a torn frenulum, and multiple hemorrhagic contusions of the brain. The injuries sustained were indicative physical abuse. It was determined through the investigation that the mother and the father did not provide a plausible explanation for the injuries sustained. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child was placed with a relative and the two other children in the home at the time of the incident were placed with their respective father. The family received services. At the time the report was indicated the mother and the father had been criminally charged. The family was previously known to child welfare.

Bucks

- 10.) A 9-month-old female child nearly died on January 24, 2020, as a result of serious physical neglect. Bucks County Children and Youth Services founded the report on October 6, 2022, naming the victim child's mother and father as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child was found not breathing and limp, and emergency medical services were contacted. The child was transported to the hospital and a toxicology screening revealed the child tested positive for an illegal substance. It was determined through the investigation that the mother pled guilty, and the father pled nolo contendere to the criminal charges regarding the incident. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child was placed in foster care and services were provided. There were no other children in the home. At the time the report was founded, the mother and the father had a disposition of criminal charges. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.
- 11.) A 4-month-old female child nearly died on September 4, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Bucks County Children and Youth indicated the report on October 14, 2022, naming the victim child's mother as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported when the victim child was fed a bottle by the mother, the child was observed to have swollen lips and coughing up mucus. The child was transported to the hospital and presented to the hospital with second degree scalding burns on the chin, chest, and throat. It was determined through the investigation that the mother admitted to not checking

the temperature of the bottle before giving the child the bottle causing the injuries. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the one other child in the home at the time of the incident were placed in foster care and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the criminal investigation was pending. The family was previously known to child welfare.

- 12.) A 6-month-old male child nearly died on September 29, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Bucks County Children and Youth Social Services Agency indicated the report on November 22, 2022, naming an unknown perpetrator. On the date of the incident, the victim child had difficulty breathing and the child was transported to the hospital. The child presented to the hospital with an altered mental status and Narcan was administered. A toxicology screening revealed the child tested positive for an illegal substance. It was determined through the investigation that the child ingested an illegal substance which constituted emergency medical treatment and a perpetrator could not be determined. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child remained in the home and no services were provided. There were no other children in the home at the time of the incident. At the time the report was indicated, the criminal investigation was pending. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.

Dauphin

- 13.) A 5-month-old male child nearly died on August 29, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Dauphin County Social Services for Children and Youth indicated the report on October 28, 2022, naming the victim child's father as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child became unresponsive and emergency medical services were contacted. The child was transported to the hospital and presented with a bilateral subdural hemorrhage, subarachnoid hemorrhage, soft tissue edema and swelling, anemia, liver injury, acute kidney failure, and acute renal failure. The injuries sustained were indicative of abusive head trauma. It was determined through the investigation that the father was the sole caregiver of the child at the time the injuries were sustained. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child remained in the care of the mother and no services were provided. There were no other children in the home at the time of the incident. At the time the report was indicated, the father had been criminally charged. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.
- 14.) A 3-month-old female child nearly died on August 18, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect and physical abuse. Dauphin County Children and Youth Services indicated the report on October 13, 2022, naming the victim child's father as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported the father left the victim child in the bathtub with the water running to answer the door and then slipped and dropped the child while getting the child out of the bathtub. The child was transported to the hospital in cardiac arrest by the mother and the father. Upon arrival at the hospital, the medical examination revealed a parietal skull fracture, subdural hemorrhage, and bilateral retinal hemorrhages. It was determined through the investigation that the injuries sustained were indicative of abusive head trauma and the father did not provide a plausible explanation for the injuries sustained. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child was placed in out of home care

and no services were provided. There were no other children in the home at the time of the incident. At the time the report was indicated the father had been criminally charged. The family was previously known to child welfare.

Delaware

- 15.) A 17-month-old male child nearly died on August 12, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. Delaware County Children and Youth Services indicated the report on October 6, 2022, naming the victim child's mother as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child received a stab wound and emergency medical services were contacted. It was determined through the investigation that that mother left a knife accessible to the child and the child sustained a self-inflicted stab wound. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the other two children in the home at the time of the incident remained in the care of the mother with a relative supervising all contact and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, no criminal charges had been filed. The family was previously known to child welfare.

Elk

- 16.) A 10-month-old female child nearly died on September 30, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Elk County Children and Youth Services indicated the report on November 1, 2022, naming the victim child's father as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, the victim child was found unresponsive with significant bruising and was transported to the local hospital. The child presented to the hospital with a subarachnoid hemorrhage and bruises covering the body. The injuries sustained were indicative of abuse. It was determined through the investigation that the father was the sole caregiver of the child at the time of the incident. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child was placed with a relative and services were provided. There were no other children in the home at the time of the incident. At the time the report was indicated, the father had been criminally charged. The family was previously known to child welfare.

Erie

- 17.) A 12-month-old male child nearly died on December 1, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Erie County Office of Children and Youth indicated the report on December 19, 2022, naming the victim child's mother and father as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, the victim child had seizure activity and emergency medical services were contacted. The child presented to the hospital and a toxicology screening administered which revealed the child tested positive for illegal substances. It was determined through the investigation that the mother and the father were the sole caregivers of the child at the time of the incident and did not provide a plausible explanation for the child's ingestion of the illegal substances. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child was placed in kinship care and services were provided. There were no other children in the home at the time of the incident. At the time the report was indicated, the criminal investigation was pending. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.

- 18.) A 14-month-old female child nearly died on November 10, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. Erie County Office of Children and Youth indicated the report on December 28, 2022, naming the victim child's father as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, the victim child was transported to the emergency room due to being inconsolable and fussy. A toxicology screening revealed the child was positive for an illegal substance and Narcan was administered. It was determined through the investigation that the father was the sole caregiver of the child at the time of the incident and did not to provide a plausible explanation for the child's ingestion of the illegal substance. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child was placed with a relative and services were provided. There were no other children in the home at the time of the incident. At the time the report was indicated, no criminal charges had been filed. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.

Lancaster

- 19.) A 2-month-old male child nearly died on September 12, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Lancaster County Children and Youth indicated the report on October 21, 2022, naming the victim child's mother and father as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, the victim child was brought to the local children's hospital by the mother due to projectile vomiting. A medical examination revealed subdural hematomas and bilateral retinal hemorrhaging. The injuries sustained were indicative of the child being shaken. It was determined through the investigation that the mother and the father were the sole caregivers of the child at the time the injuries were sustained. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the one other child in the home at the time of the incident were placed in foster care and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated the criminal investigation was pending. The family was previously known to child welfare.

Lawrence

- 20.) A 2-year-old male child nearly died on October 26, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Lawrence County Children and Youth Services indicated the report on December 24, 2022, naming the victim child's mother and father as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, the victim child was found unresponsive by the mother and emergency medical services were contacted. Upon arrival at the hospital, the child was administered Narcan, and toxicology screening revealed the child tested positive for an illegal substance. It was determined through the investigation that the mother and the father were the sole caregivers of the child at the time the illegal substance was ingested by the child. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the one other child in the home at the time of incident were placed in kinship care and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the criminal investigation was pending. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.

Lehigh

- 21.) A 10-month-old female child nearly died on September 28, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. Lehigh County Office of Children and Youth Services

indicated the report on November 3, 2022, naming the victim child's mother as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child was found unresponsive in the bathtub by the mother and emergency medical services were contacted. It was determined through the investigation that the mother left the child unsupervised in the bathtub which led to the child drowning. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the one other child in the home at the time of the incident remained in the home with supervised contact and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the criminal investigation was pending. The family was previously known to child welfare.

- 22.) A 6-month-old male child nearly died on August 24, 2021, as a result of serious physical neglect. Lehigh County Office of Children and Youth Services indicated the report on October 13, 2022, naming the victim child's mother as the perpetrator. On August 17, 2022, the victim child was brought to the local emergency room due to diaper rash. The child presented to the hospital with skin peeling off the groin and genital area, dehydrated, and malnourished. It was determined through the investigation that the mother was the sole caregiver of the child and was not taking the child to well child visits dating back to August 24, 2021, and the mother was not providing the child adequate nutrition and hydration. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child was placed in the care of the father and services were provided. There were no other children in the home at the time of the incident. At the time the report was indicated, no criminal charges had been filed. The family was previously known to child welfare.

Mercer

- 23.) A 2-month-old female child nearly died on August 7, 2022, as a result of physical abuse and serious physical neglect. Mercer County Children and Youth Services indicated the report on October 6, 2022, naming the victim child's mother, an unrelated caretaker, and an unknown person as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child was dropped several times on concrete while the mother was holding the child and emergency medical services were contacted. The child presented to the hospital with multiple bruises all over body lethargic, extensive brain injuries, multiples head fractures, bleeding on the brain, and a fractured tibia and femur. A toxicology screening revealed the child tested positive for illegal substances. It was determined through the investigation, that there were multiple adults present in the home at the time of the incident; it is unknown how the child sustained the injuries therefore an unknown perpetrator was named. It was also determined through the investigation that the unrelated caregiver did not seek medical care for the child after the injuries were sustained and the mother was responsible for the child's ingestion of the illegal substances. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child was placed in kinship care and services were provided. There were other children in the home at the time of the incident. At the time the report was indicated, the identified caregiver had been criminally charged and no criminal charges had been filed against the mother due to her death. The family was previously known to child welfare.

Mifflin

- 24.) A 2-year-old female child nearly died on October 12, 2022, as the result of the physical abuse. Mifflin County Children and Youth Services indicated the report on December 5, 2022, naming the victim child's mother's paramour as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child had ingested a household member's prescribed medication and was transported to the emergency room. The child presented to the hospital in severe respiratory distress. It was determined through the investigation that the mother's paramour admitted to not properly securing the prescription medication which led to the child ingesting the medication and requiring medical intervention. As the result of the safety assessment, the victim child and the two other children in the home at the time of the incident remained in the care of the mother and services were provided. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.

Montour

- 25.) A 16-month-old female child nearly died on November 11, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. Montour County Children and Youth Services indicated the report on December 8, 2022, naming the victim child's mother and father as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child ingested an illegal substance and was brought to the hospital by the mother and the father. The child presented to the hospital in cardiac arrest and was administered Narcan. It was determined through the investigation that the mother and the father admitted to having the illegal substance in the home at the time of the incident and left the substance accessible to the child. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child was placed with relatives and services were provided. There were no other children in the home at the time of the incident. At the time the report was indicated, the father and the mother had been criminally charged. The family was previously known to child welfare.

Philadelphia

- 26.) An 18-month-old female child nearly died on November 11, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. Philadelphia Department of Human Services indicated the report on November 25, 2022, naming the victim child's mother and mother's paramour as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child was acting abnormally and emergency medical services were contacted. The child presented to the children's hospital with an acute altered mental status and was unresponsive. The child was administered naloxone and responded positively, and a toxicology screening revealed the child tested positive for an illegal substance. It was determined through the investigation that the mother admitted to having the illegal substance in the home and the mother and the mother's paramour were the sole caregivers of the child at the time of the incident. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the one other child in the home at the time of the incident remained in the home and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the criminal investigation was pending. The family was previously known to child welfare.
- 27.) A 13-year-old male child nearly died on September 26, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. Philadelphia Department of Human Services indicated

the report on November 8, 2022, naming the victim child's mother as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, the victim child was transported due to being in severe diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA). It was determined through the investigation that the child was responsible for his own diabetes management and the mother did not ensure the child properly managed his diabetes. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child was placed with the father and the one other child in the home at the time of the incident remained in the home with the mother. The family received services. At the time the report was indicated, no criminal charges had been filed. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.

- 28.) A 7-year-old male child nearly died on September 15, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Philadelphia Department of Human Services indicated the report on October 30, 2022, naming the victim child's mother and mother's paramour as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, the victim child was found unresponsive by the mother and the mother's paramour and was transported by emergency medical services to the local children's hospital. The child was administered a toxicology screening and tested positive for illegal substances. It was determined through the investigation that the mother and the mother's paramour tested positive for multiple illegal substances at the time of the incident. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the two other children in the home at the time of the incident were placed with a relative and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the mother and the mother's paramour had been criminally charged. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.
- 29.) A 3-month-old male nearly died on August 30, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. Philadelphia Department of Human Services indicated the report October 27, 2022, naming the victim child's mother as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, the victim child was taken to the primary care provider by the mother due to the child acting abnormally and was advised to take the child to the hospital. The child presented to the hospital with low sodium levels and lack of nutrition. It was determined through the investigation that the mother ran out of formula for the child and admitted to supplementing the formula with water; the mother failed to provide the child with adequate nutrition. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the one other child in the home at the time of the incident were placed in kinship care and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, no criminal charges had been filed. The family was previously known to child welfare.
- 30.) A 20-month-old female child nearly died on September 23, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Philadelphia Department of Human Services indicated the report on November 8, 2022, naming the victim child's mother and mother's paramour as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child fell while in the care of the mother's paramour and the child was transported to the local children's hospital. The child presented at the hospital with bruising and swelling around the face caused by a subgalea hemorrhage. The injuries sustained were indicative of abuse. It was determined through the investigation that the mother's paramour was the primary caregiver of the child at the time of the incident and the mother and the mother's paramour did not provide a plausible explanation for the injuries sustained. As the result

of the safety assessment completed, the victim child was placed with a relative and services were provided. There were no other children in the home at the time of the incident. At the time the report was indicated, the mother's paramour had been criminally charged and no criminal charges were filed against the mother. The family was previously known to child welfare.

- 31.) A 4-year-old male child nearly died on September 1, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Philadelphia Department of Human Services indicated the report on October 2, 2022, naming the victim child's maternal grandmother as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child was shot in the abdomen by the maternal grandmother while she was cleaning the firearm. The child was transported to the hospital and presented with liver and kidney injuries as the result of the shooting. It was determined through the investigation that the shooting was accidental, but the maternal grandmother was reckless while cleaning the firearm leading to the child being shot. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the four other children in the home at the time of the incident remained in the home with the mother and no services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, no criminal charges had been filed. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.
- 32.) A 2-month-old male child nearly died on October 12, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. Philadelphia Department of Human Services indicated the report on December 9, 2022, naming the victim child's mother and father as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, the victim child was found unresponsive and was transported to the hospital. The child presented to the hospital significantly underweight and malnourished. It was determined through the investigation that the child had not been seen medically since birth and the mother and the father were not adequately providing the child nutrition. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the two other children in the home at the time of the incident were placed in foster care and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, no criminal charges had been filed. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.
- 33.) A 2-year-old male child nearly died on September 24, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. Philadelphia Department of Human Services indicated the report on November 2, 2022, naming the victim child's mother as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child gained access to a gun and shot himself in the abdomen and upper right back. It was determined through the investigation, that the mother provided inconsistent accounts of the ownership of the firearm and the mother knew the firearm was in home and did not take proper measures to safely secure the firearm. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the one other child in the home at the time of the incident were placed with a relative and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the mother had been criminally charged. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.
- 34.) A 2-year-old female child nearly died on October 4, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Philadelphia Department of Human Services indicated the report on November 30, 2022, naming the victim child's mother's and mother's

paramour as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child had swelling of the face and eyes therefore the child was transported to the emergency room. The child presented to the hospital with a skull fracture, a hematoma, and bruising to the ear. The injuries sustained were indicative of severe physical abuse. It was determined through the investigation that the mother and the mother's paramour could not provide a plausible explanation for the injuries sustained. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the one other child in the home at the time of the incident were placed with their respective fathers and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the criminal investigation was pending. The family was previously known to child welfare.

- 35.) A 3-year-old female child nearly died on October 28, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. Philadelphia Department of Human Services indicated the report on November 23, 2022, naming the victim child's mother and father as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, the victim child was transported to the local children's hospital by the mother and the father due to respiratory distress. A toxicology screening revealed the child tested positive for illegal substances. It was determined through the investigation that the mother and the father did not provide a plausible explanation for how the child ingested the substance. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the one other child in the home at the time of the incident were placed with a relative and another child in the home at the time of the incident was placed with the respective father. The family received services. At the time the report was indicated, no criminal charges had been filed. The family was previously known to child welfare.
- 36.) A 17-month-old female child nearly died on November 10, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. Philadelphia Department of Human Services indicated the report on December 9, 2022, naming the victim child's mother and father as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, the victim child became unresponsive and was transported to the hospital. A toxicology screening was administered, and the child tested positive for an illegal substance. It was determined through the investigation that the mother and the father were the sole caregivers of the child at the time of the child ingested the substance. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the two other children in the home at the time of the incident were placed with a relative and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, no criminal charges had been filed. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.
- 37.) A 9-month-old female child nearly died on October 8, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. Philadelphia Department of Human Services indicated the report on November 15, 2022, naming the victim child's mother and father as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child was found limp and blue with a baggie in the mouth and emergency medical services were contacted. A toxicology screening revealed the child tested positive for an illegal substance. It was determined through the investigation that the mother and the father did not provide an explanation for the child's ingestion. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child was placed in foster care and services were provided. There were

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no other children in the home at the time of the incident. At the time the report was indicated, the criminal investigation was pending. The family was previously known to child welfare.

- 38.) A 13-month-old male child nearly died on October 11, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. Philadelphia Department of Human Services named the victim child's father as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, the victim child was found limp and having difficulty breathing and was transported to the local children's hospital. The child presented to the hospital and was administered Narcan to which the child responded positively. It was determined through the investigation that the father admitted to having illegal substances in the home. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the three other children in the home at the time of the incident were placed with a relative and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the criminal investigation was pending. The family was previously known to child welfare.
- 39.) A 21-month-old male child nearly died on November 22, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Philadelphia Department of Human Services indicated the report on November 28, 2022, naming the victim child's maternal grandmother as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported the victim child was lethargic therefore the mother transported the child to the local children's hospital. The child presented to the hospital and was administered a toxicology screening which revealed the child tested positive for illegal substances. It was determined through the investigation that drug paraphernalia was found in the home and the maternal grandmother was using illegal substances. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child remained in the care of the mother and services were provided. There were no other children in the home at the time of the incident. At the time the report was indicated, no criminal charges had been filed. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.

Schuylkill

- 40.) A less than 1-day-old female child nearly died on July 16, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Schuylkill County Children and Youth Services indicated the report on October 14, 2022, naming an unknown perpetrator. On July 26, 2022, it was reported the victim child fell onto the hardwood floor and was transported to the local emergency room. The medical evaluation revealed the child had a skull fracture, a fracture on the right femur and proximal tibia, two intercranial hemorrhages and an altered mental state. The injuries sustained were indicative of abuse. It was determined through the investigation that a perpetrator could not be identified, and it could not be determined when the injuries occurred. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the eight other children in the home at the time of the incident remained in the home and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, no criminal charges had been filed. The family was previously known to child welfare.

York

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- 41.) A 12-month-old male child nearly died on October 26, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. York County Office of Children, Youth, and Families indicated the report on December 19, 2022, naming the victim child's mother as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported that the victim child was left in the bathtub with the water running by the mother; when the mother returned to the bathroom, the bathtub had filled up with water, and the victim child was submerged and purple. Emergency medical services were contacted, and the child was transported to the hospital. It was determined through the investigation that the mother left the child unsupervised in the bathtub with the water running. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child and the two other children in the home at the time of the incident were placed in foster care and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the mother had been criminally charged. The family was previously known to child welfare.
- 42.) A 3-year-old male child nearly died on November 10, 2022, as a result of serious physical neglect. York County Office of Children, Youth, and Families indicated the report on December 16, 2022, naming the victim child's father as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, the victim child was taken to the hospital due to concerns for malnutrition. The child presented to the hospital having lost 16 pounds over the past year and appeared emaciated. It was determined through the investigation that the father was sole caregiver of the child and was not assuring the child was attending medical appointments or receiving adequate nutrition. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the victim child was placed in foster care and services were provided. There were no other children in the home at the time of the incident. At the time the report was indicated, the criminal investigation was pending. The family was previously known to child welfare.