Texas: FY 2023 Child Fatality and Near Fatality Annual Report

Child Fatality Case Summary As part of this annual report and ongoing program review, the Office of Child Safety conducts in-depth reviews for child fatalities occurring when the child is involved with DFPS in an open stage (Investigations, Family Based Safety Services, or Conservatorship) and death is confirmed to be caused by abuse or neglect.

(#15) Rosalinda was involved in an open Child Protective Investigations (CPI) case at the time of the fatality. The investigation was initiated on December 1, 2022, alleging concerns of neglectful supervision by Rosalinda's parents as they engaged in domestic violence. A second intake was received on February 13, 2023, also alleging domestic violence. During the investigation, a third intake was received on April 12, 2023, alleging Rosalinda's parents engaged in domestic violence involving a gun and Rosalinda was accidentally shot. Rosalinda died on April 12, 2023, from a gunshot wound.