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.

(#2) Jace was involved in an open Child Protective Investigations (CPI) case at the time of the fatality. The investigation was initiated on July 12, 2022, due to concerns of neglectful supervision and physical neglect of Jace and his siblings. During the investigation, Jace died on September 10, 2022 after being found unresponsive with serious signs of physical trauma.