

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.

(#7) Chanel was involved in an open Child Protective Investigations (CPI) case at the time of the fatality. The investigation was initiated on October 6, 2022, due to concerns of medical and physical neglect of Chanel. Another intake was received on October 15, 2022, regarding concerns of sexual abuse and neglectful supervision of Chanel and her sibling. During the investigation, Chanel died on October 16, 2022. Chanel was brought to a hospital by her mother with serious signs of physical trauma.