

## Pennsylvania: 2024 Quarterly Summaries of Child Fatalities and Near Fatalities

### 1st Quarter Summaries of Child Fatalities/Near Fatalities

#### Allegheny

(#1) A 3-month-old male child died on January 7, 2024, as a result of physical abuse. Allegheny County Office of Children, Youth, and Families indicated the report on January 25, 2024, naming the victim child's mother 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 subsequently was pronounced dead. The child's death was ruled a homicide as result of blunt force trauma to the head. It was determined through the investigation that the mother was the sole caregiver of the child at the time of incident and the mother 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 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.