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Allegheny

(#3) A 4-month-old male child died on January 25, 2023, as a result of physical abuse. Allegheny County Office of Children, Youth, and Families indicated the report on May 22, 2023, naming the victim child's mother and father as the perpetrators. On the date of incident, it was reported the victim child was co-sleeping with the mother and was found unresponsive; cardiopulmonary resuscitation was initiated, and emergency medical services were contacted. The child was transported to the local children's hospital and subsequently pronounced dead. A 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 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, no criminal charges had been filed. The family was previously known to child welfare.