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Delaware

(#8) A 15-month-old male child died on February 12, 2023, as a result of physical abuse. Delaware County Children and Youth Services indicated the report on April 6, 2023, naming the victim child's father as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported that the victim child ingested an illegal substance and emergency medical services were contacted. The child was transported to the local hospital and subsequently was pronounced dead. It was determined through the investigation that the father was the sole caregiver 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. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.