

Pennsylvania: 2024 Quarterly Summaries of Child Fatalities and Near Fatalities

3rd Quarter Summaries of Child Fatalities/Near Fatalities

Sullivan

(#12) A 3-day-old male child died on January 17, 2022, as a result of serious physical abuse and neglect. Sullivan County Children and Youth Services founded the report on July 24, 2024, naming the victim child's mother, father, and adult family friend as the perpetrators. On the date of the incident, it was reported that during a home birth the victim child became very ill and experienced respiratory distress for a long period of time. It was determined through the investigation that the mother, the father, and the adult family friend did not immediately contact medical personnel and the child subsequently died. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the one other child in the household at the time of the incident remained in the home and no services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the criminal investigation was pending. The family had no prior documented child welfare involvement.