

Pennsylvania: 2022 Quarterly Summaries of Child Fatalities and Near Fatalities

4th Quarter Summaries of Child Fatalities/Near Fatalities

Lancaster

(#5) A 1-week-old male child died on October 11, 2022, as a result of physical abuse. Lancaster County Children and Youth Social Services Agency indicated the report on November 29, 2022, naming the victim child's mother as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported that the victim child was found unresponsive, and emergency medical services were contacted. The child was subsequently pronounced dead. It was determined through the investigation that the mother co-slept with the child while under the influence of illegal substances. There was one other child in the home at the time of the incident that was placed in kinship care and services were provided. At the time the report was indicated, the criminal investigation was pending. The family was previously known to child welfare.