

Child Fatality Summary

Child's Name: Nalani Allen

County: Miami-Dade

Date of Birth: 10/30/2023

Date of Death: 05/12/2024

Report Number: 2024-168198

Family Composition Chart

Name	Age at Time of the Incident	Relationship with Deceased Child
Nalani Allen	6 months	Decedent
Arnelle Floyd	24	Mother
Nathan Allen	24	Father

Circumstances Surrounding Death

On 5/12/2024, the Department received an abuse report following the passing of this 6-month-old infant. The report alleges the following: On 05/12/2024, Nalani was observed to have multiple rib fractures in different stages of healing, and fresh bruises on her arm and torso after being pronounced deceased (sic) at 1:30pm."

The abuse report lists maltreatments of death, bone fracture and physical injury with the 6-month-old as the alleged victim and both parents listed as the alleged perpetrators.

Nalani Allen was born to parents Arnelle Floyd and Nathan Allen at South Miami Hospital located in Miami-Dade County.

During the DCF investigation, the Child Protective investigator spoke with the subjects of the report, law enforcement, staff at the Child Protection Team and collateral contacts. The father stated that he woke up on 5/12/24 at 10 am to feed the infant, who only drank five ounces and put her head back down. The father went downstairs to clean and check on the infant about 40 minutes later. The infant was lethargic and dropped her head, he called his wife who met him outside and they both transported the infant to the hospital where she was pronounced deceased a few hours later.

The infant's x-rays showed multiple rib fractures in different stages of healing. The infant was last seen at the pediatrician on 5/10/24. The pediatrician reported that the scratches noted on the infant from a previous visit had healed and no other concerns were noted.

Both parents denied any mental health or substance abuse issues as well as any domestic violence in their relationship. Collateral contacts expressed no concerns for the infant in the care of the parents. They never saw any indication of abuse. Two

collateral contacts also stated they were unaware of any domestic violence incidents, while one stated he knew of one incident in 2021. The police call outs to the home that were obtained showed four incidents of domestic violence being reported.

The Miami Dade Police Department concluded their investigation into the infant's deaths and both parents were arrested and charged with murder (2nd degree).

The Miami-Dade Medical Examiner completed an autopsy. The cause of death is listed as blunt force injuries with the manner of death listed as a homicide.

The Department concluded its investigation with verified findings of death, bone fracture and physical injury.

Other Children in the Family

There are no other children in the home.

Summary of Prior Agency Involvement with family

There are no prior reports involving the deceased infant or the father [REDACTED]

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