Pennsylvania: 2024 Quarterly Summaries of Child Fatalities and Near Fatalities

2nd Quarter Summaries of Child Fatalities/Near Fatalities

Huntingdon

(#13) A 2-year-old female child died on September 25, 2023, as a result of serious physical neglect. The Central Regional Office of Children, Youth, and Families indicated the report on June 14, 2024, naming the victim child's mother as the perpetrator. On the date of the incident, it was reported that the victim child was found drowning in the pool, and emergency medical services were contacted. The child subsequently was pronounced dead. It was determined through the investigation, that the mother failed to adequately supervise the child, which led to the child having access to the pool and drowning. As the result of the safety assessment completed, the one other child in the home at the time of the incident was placed in foster 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.