Williams Fatality Summary

Child's Name: Lola Williams

County: Leon

Date of Birth: 08/20/2009

Date of Death: 06/20/2025

Report Number: 2025-213444

Family Composition Chart

Name	Age at Time of the Incident	Relationship with Deceased Child
Lola Williams	15-years-old	Deceased Child
[redacted]	9-years-old	Sibling
[redacted]	9-years-old	Sibling
[redacted]	11-years-old	Sibling
[redacted]	14-years-old	Sibling
[redacted]	18-years-old	Sibling
Brian Williams	43-years-old	Father
Crystal Williams	44-years-old	Mother

Circumstances Surrounding Death

On June 20, 2025, an investigation was received regarding the death of a 15-year-old child who was pronounced deceased at a hospital after she was found unresponsive in her home by her parents. The household consisted of the 15-year-old child, one adult sibling, 4 younger siblings, and both parents.

On June 17, 2025, the 15-year-old child was complaining of stomach pain and vomiting. The parents believed that it was a stomach virus, and they told her to drink fluids and rest. On the night of June 17th, the child was given four 500mg capsules of Acetaminophen. At approximately 7am on the morning of the 18th, the child was found slumped over and unresponsive on the bathroom floor by one of her siblings. The father was contacted, and he was able to arouse the child. The child went to her bed where she slept most of the day on June 18th. At around 12pm, the child started vomiting again. She asked for some pain medication. She ate some chips and was given four 500mg capsules of acetaminophen. Later in the evening, one of the siblings told the parents that the child was "jerking and making weird noises." The father found the 15-year-old child unresponsive. The parents contacted emergency services at 10:28pm, and the child was transported to a local hospital by ambulance. Upon arrival at the hospital, lab work revealed that the initial acetaminophen level was 77.6mg mcg/ml. The normal therapeutic range is 17-24 mcg/ml. The child was flown to another hospital in Orlando, Florida due to liver and kidney failure on June19th, and despite medical intervention, the child passed away on June 20th.

The mother claimed that the family has a genetic disorder that causes rotten teeth, and the child had been complaining of dental pain since December 2024. The mother advised that the child was taken to the dentist who did not want to perform a procedure until she was seen by an orthodontist as she needed braces. The mother claims that she was taken to the orthodontist who claimed the child had cavities and was referred back to the dentist. Due to this issue, the child was in pain and would ask to take pain killers, Acetaminophen. The parents claimed that they explained to the child that she could only have some many pain killers in one day. Approximately three weeks before her death, the parents bought a new bottle of Acetaminophen, but they did not realize they grabbed the 500mg per capsule bottle of Acetaminophen instead of the 200mg capsule bottle. The parents acknowledge that the child would take the medication on a regular basis for tooth pain.

The parents advised that they had purchased a new bottle of acetaminophen around the beginning of June. The bottle of medication was provided to law enforcement. The bottle was Equate Acetaminophen 500mg pill bottle with a count of 500 pills. There were 345 pills left in the bottle. The parents denied knowledge of anyone else in the home taking any of the medication. The warning level on the bottle of this product stated that this product contains acetaminophen and severe liver damage may occur if you take more than 4,000 mg of acetaminophen in 24 hours. Directions on the bottle state for adults and children 12 years and over to take 2 caplets every 6 hours while symptoms last, do not take more than 6 caplets in 24 hours, and do not take more than 10 days unless directed by a doctor.

According to the mother after arrival at the hospital, the child became responsive and told her mother that she had taken six more Acetaminophen due to pain while her parents were sleeping during the early morning hours of June 18th. The medication was kept inside the bathroom located in the parent's bedroom. The parents deny that they heard anyone enter the bathroom during the early morning hours.

When the father was later questioned regarding the child being found unresponsive on the bathroom floor on the morning of the 18th, he advised that the child was pretending and was laughing.

A sibling advised that the 15-year-old child had dental issues for "forever" and provided information that the child had tooth pain since September 2024. One of the siblings also advised that she would go into the parent's bedroom to get medication for the child at times.
Medical records reviewed indicate that the child was seen by her primary care provider on 1/27/2025. The child advised during this appointment that she was having extreme tooth pain and needed medication to sleep. She advised that she had tooth pain for the last month. The child advised that she was taking 800mg of ibuprofen before going to bed. The primary care provider advised decreasing the amount of ibuprofen and alternate with acetaminophen. The child was seen on 2/21/25 by dentist. The clinical notes report only document that the child had autism and a developmental delay and reported zero pain on the pain scale. The records also include a photograph of dental x-rays. The child was seen again on 4/28/25 by her primary care provider. The child reported to have been taking four capsules of acetaminophen at night before bed. Records received from the orthodontist indicate the following: the child missed an appointment on 05/01/2025, and it was rescheduled due to lack of transportation: the child was late to her appointment on 5/12/25, but a screening was completed: on 6/4/25, the father rescheduled the appointment due to lack of money to drive to the appointment: on 6/19/25, the father left voicemail stating that child was being transported to hospital due to medical issues.

A medical record review was completed by the Child Protection Team. The Child Protection Team found indicated findings for medical neglect and inadequate supervision concerning the child.

The District 9 & 25 Medical Examiner's Office completed the autopsy. The cause of death was listed as acetaminophen toxicity, and the cause of death was listed as an accident.

The Leon County Sheriff Department completed the criminal investigation. The investigation was closed non-criminal with the State Attorney's Office advising that there was no probable cause for any criminal charge.

During the DCF investigation, an additional maltreatment of environmental hazards was added to the investigation. During the initial home visit, the Child Protective Investigator observed unsanitary and hazardous conditions, including clutter, roach infestations, large piles of dirty diapers on the floor, feces in the toilet, bags of trash in the kitchen, and a pervasive odor of urine throughout the home. While food, basic supplies, and sleeping arrangements were adequate, the overall environmental conditions posed a health and safety risk to the children. The other siblings were also observed with poor dental hygiene and two of the children bald spots on their heads.

The Department has closed this investigation with verified findings of inadequate supervision, medical neglect, and death concerning the child. The Department also found verified findings of environmental hazards concerning all the children in the home.

Other Children in the Family

[redacted].

Summary of Prior Agency Involvement with Family

The family does have a history with the Department. In 2020, there was a report received regarding concerns for the condition of the home. This report was closed with no indicators. In 2022, there was a report received regarding allegations of sexual molestation concerning the now deceased child, and the alleged perpetator was listed as step maternal grandfather. This report was closed with not substantiated findings. [redacted].

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