

## **Summary: Child and Family Practice Review of a Critical Injury of a Youth Known to the Director in 2021**

### Circumstances of the Critical Injury

The review examined the services provided to an Indigenous youth who was critically injured. The youth and their family received services at the time of the critical injury.

### Findings

The ministry did not fully assess or plan for safety concerns for the youth and their siblings. Services were offered to the youth's family; however, engagement in the services was not monitored. A specific issue for the youth was not assessed or addressed.

Decreased contact with the family during the pandemic resulted in the youth and their family being isolated. The ministry did not engage with the youth's extended family or their Indigenous community for ongoing support.

### Actions

The involved Service Delivery Area leadership and the Quality Assurance team developed an action plan for involved staff to review the Best Practice Approaches: Child Protection and Violence against Women with a focus on the steps involved with providing a child protection response. A review of the importance of consistently updating documentation, completing summary recordings, and conducting detailed record reviews would also occur.

**The review was completed in October 2022. The above action plan is due for full implementation in January 2023.**