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# SUMMARY: FILE REVIEW Of the Death of a Child in the Care of the Ministry in 2017

## A. INTRODUCTION

The Ministry of Children and Family Development (the ministry) conducted the File Review (FR) to examine case practice regarding the subject child (the child).

For the purpose of the FR, ministry records and BC Coroners Service documents were reviewed. The FR focused on a specific period of ministry involvement prior to the death of the child.

## **B. TERM OF REFERENCE**

1. Did the ministry ensure the child's guardianship needs were being addressed, particularly in relation to their health concerns?

#### C. BACKGROUND SUMMARY

The ministry became involved shortly after the birth of the child due to their specific needs. The parents requested voluntary services so that the child could receive specialized care. Services were provided through a specific ministry program and a community support program. The child was in the care of the ministry at the time of their death.

#### D. FINDINGS

1. The ministry collaborated with a team of professionals to develop a plan, and provide the child with services to meet their special needs.

2. Practice was consistent with applicable legislation, policy and standards, and did not contribute to the outcome of the incident.

## E. ACTIONS TAKEN TO DATE

Not applicable.

## F. ACTION PLAN

Not required.

The review was completed in July 2018.