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SUMMARY: FILE REVIEW Of a Critical Injury of a Child Known to the Director

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, case records were reviewed. The FR focused on a specific period of the director's involvement prior to the critical injury of the child.

B. TERM OF REFERENCE

1. Was the director's assessment and planning with regard to the child's out of care placement, consistent with the relevant legislation, standards and policy?

C. BACKGROUND SUMMARY

The director had longstanding involvement with the child's parents due to high-risk issues. The child's parents were unable to care for the child's siblings due to these issues. Upon the birth of the child, the parent was unable to provide care, and requested that the child be cared for by an extended family member. An out of care arrangement was made with extended family members. The child is Aboriginal.

D. FINDINGS

The assessment and planning for the child in relation to the child's out of care
placement was consistent with relevant legislation, standards and policy. The
director proactively initiated planning; an out of care assessment was completed,
implemented, and monitored accordingly. A high level of consultation was
evident and included services and support.

E. ACTIONS TAKEN TO DATE

Not applicable.

F. ACTION PLAN

Actions were not required to address the findings of the report.

The review was completed in June 2017. No action plan was required.