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SUMMARY: FILE REVIEW Of the Death of a Youth Known to the Director in 2017

Circumstances of the Fatality

The review examined case files of an Indigenous youth who died. A Delegated Aboriginal Agency (DAA) was providing service to the youth in relation to their transition from care to the community, and to adult services.

Findings

The DAA actively assessed the youth's needs and developed a plan to support them with their transition to adulthood; however, a Care Plan was not formally updated and the connection to their Indigenous community and culture was not identified through a Cultural Plan. Collaboration with the youth's Indigenous family and community would have created an opportunity to obtain culturally appropriate services to support their transition from care.

Although the youth had high-risk behaviours that interfered with their collaboration in planning for adulthood, the DAA and the youth's relatives made repeated attempts to engage the youth and to complete the goals outlined in the transition plan.

Actions

The findings of the file review did not identify areas that required any actions.

The review was completed in November 2019.