

SUMMARY: FILE REVIEW

Of the Death of a Child in the Care of the Ministry

A. INTRODUCTION

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

For the purpose of the File Review, Ministry records, policies, standards, guidelines, and legislation, as well as BC Coroner's Service documents were reviewed. The File Review focused on a specific period of Ministry involvement prior to the death of the child.

B. TERM OF REFERENCE

1. Was a service plan developed, implemented, and monitored to address the child's safety and well-being in accordance with relevant policy and legislation?

C. BACKGROUND SUMMARY

The Ministry became involved with the child at birth due to the parent's capacity to ensure that the child's special needs were met. The child had been in the continuing care of the Ministry for several years. The child's death was considered to be of natural causes. The child was not Aboriginal.

D. FINDINGS

1. The child received appropriate and nurturing care. A service plan was developed, implemented, and monitored. Ministry practice was not relevant to the child's death.

E. ACTIONS TAKEN TO DATE

Not applicable.

F. ACTION PLAN

Actions were not required.

The Ministry completed this File Review in November 2016.