

## **SUMMARY: FILE REVIEW**

### **Of the Critical Injuries of Children Known to the Director in 2020**

#### Circumstances of the Critical Injuries

This review examined the ministry services provided to children who were critically injured. The children, and their family, were receiving services at the time of the critical injuries.

#### Findings

Six months before the injuries, the ministry received a report of concern for the children. An assessment of the children's safety was incomplete when the ministry ended their involvement with the family one month later. Specifically, in-person interviews and a home visit were not completed despite the assessed high level of vulnerability of the children.

#### Actions

The involved Service Delivery Area leadership and the Quality Assurance team developed an action plan to review with involved child welfare practitioners the policy and practice guidelines for the child protection response and assessing and responding to reports involving a specific issue.

**The review was completed in October 2021. The above action plan is due for full implementation in December 2021.**