**DCYF Public Disclosure**

**PROVIDENCE, R.I. (December 5, 2018)** – A 10-year-old male child from Providence was admitted to Hasbro Children’s Hospital on November 27 because of a chronic medical condition. The family had no prior DCYF involvement.

The Department initiated an investigation, and through this investigation, DCYF has confirmed that the child’s condition is likely to have been caused by medical neglect. Pursuant to state law, DCYF notified the Office of the Child Advocate of the report.

Due to confidentiality laws, we are prohibited from sharing additional information.

DCYF’s highest priority is the safety and well-being of all children. Rhode Islanders are required by law to report known or suspected cases of child abuse or neglect to DCYF within 24 hours of becoming aware of such abuse/neglect. Please call 1-800-RI-CHILD to report known or suspected cases of child abuse.

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