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DCYF Public Disclosure

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (August 24, 2017) – In accordance with Rhode Island General Law §42-72, the Department of Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) is publicly disclosing a recent report of a child who meets the statutory requirements of a near fatality.

A fifteen-year-old male youth from Bristol was admitted to Hasbro Children’s Hospital’s Pediatric Intensive Care Unit on August 18, 2017 because of a chronic medical condition. The Department has indicated medical neglect. The family was not open to the Department at the time of his admission to the hospital, but the family was last open to DCYF in 2013. Pursuant to the statute, 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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