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DCYF Public Disclosure

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (August 20, 2019) – A fourteen-year-old female from Newport was admitted to Hasbro Children's Hospital on July 16 because of a chronic medical condition. The family had prior DCYF involvement, but was not open to the Department at the time of the youth's admission to the hospital.

The Department initiated an investigation, and through this investigation, DCYF has confirmed that the youth's condition was likely to have been caused by maltreatment. 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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