## **Statutory Definitions**

#### 1) Previous Involvement:

A situation, in which the county department received a referral, responded to a report, opened an assessment, provided services, or opened a case in the Colorado Trails system; except when:

- The situation did not involve abuse or neglect;
- ➤ The situation occurred when the parent was seventeen years of age or younger and before he or she was the parent of the deceased child;
- ➤ The situation occurred with a different family composition and a different alleged perpetrator.

## 2) Incident of egregious abuse or neglect:

An incident of suspected abuse or neglect involving significant violence, torture, use of cruel restraints, or other similar, aggravated circumstances.

### 3) Near fatality:

A case in which a physician determines that a child is in serious, critical, or lifethreatening condition as the result of sickness or injury caused by suspected abuse, neglect, or maltreatment.

# 4) Suspicious incident of egregious child abuse or neglect, near fatality, or fatality:

An incident of egregious child abuse or neglect, near fatality, or fatality that is more likely than not to have been caused by abuse or neglect.