Lee Case Example

Intake

Present Danger Assessment
Present Danger Plan- Amelia Lee
Present Danger Plan- Anthony Williams
Family Functioning Assessment
Safety Plan- Amelia Lee
Safety Plan- Anthony Williams
Family Risk Assessment



AP = Alleged Perpetrator

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REPORT WITH REPORTER NARRATIVE

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Address – S				Unit D	Designator		City		State		Zip Cod	de	
2367 Meramec St.			Tallahassee						32301				
Primary Language: Interp			reter Need	eter Needed: 🗌 Yes 🛛 No									
Directions to	House												
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A. Participa	nts												
Name					ID Number			Role		Gen			DOB
WILLIAMS,	ALEX				789-98-3452		V		Male)		04/25/2014	
Est. Age	Ethnicity				Race				Disability				
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PC = Parent/Caregiver

CH = Child In Home	RN = Report N						
HM = Household Member	SO = Significa	ant Other					
NM = Non-Household Member	V = Victim						
B. Address and Phone Information	n						
Name	Туре	Addre	SS			Telepho	ne Number
WILLIAMS, ALEX	Primary	2367 Meramec St. Tallahassee FL 32301					
	Residence						
WILLIAMS, ANTHONY	Primary	2367 N	Meramec St.	Tallahassee	FL 32301		
	Residence						
LEE, AMELIA	Primary	2367 N	Meramec St.	Tallahassee	FL 32301		
	Residence						
C. Relationships		- I				1	
Subject		Rela	tionship			Sub	ject
WILLIAMS, ANTHONY	Father-Birth				WILLIAMS	, ALEX	
LEE, AMELIA	Mother-Birth				WILLIAMS	, ALEX	
D. Alleged Maltreatment					•		
Alleged Victim			Maltreatme	ent Code			
WILLIAMS, ALEX			Family Violence Threatens Child				
E. Location of Incident			-				
Address - Street			Apt.	City		State	Zip Code
2367 Meramec St.				Tallaha	ssee	FL	32301
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II. Narratives							
A. Allegation Narrative							
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a. Provider Detail							
B. Narrative for Worker Safety Co	ncerns						
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III. Agency Response

A. Recommendation					
System Screening Recommendation	Counselor Scree	ening Recomme	Counselor Screening Reason		
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Counselor Name	Counselor Scree	ening Date/Time			
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SMITH, ERICA					

REPORTER NARRATIVE

Name – Worker					
Smith, Erica					
Name – Reporter		Reporter	· ·		
Shale, Lisa		Other He	ealth/Mental Health Professional		
Badge Number		Case Nu	mber		
Reporter Caller ID	Reporter Requests	Contact	Report Method		
	☐ Yes ☒ No		Phone		
Home Phone	Work Phone		Other Phone		
	(850)987-0044		(850)275-0987		
Email Address	•		Language		
Reporter Narrative					
The reporter is a staff member	at Helping Hands.				
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Note: Mom informed the report	ter about the inciden	t.			
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FLORIDA SAFETY DECISION MAKING METHODOLOGY Child Present Danger Assessment

Case Name:LEE, AMELIAFSFN Case ID:101124324Worker Name:LOPEZ, MARIAAssessment Date:01/11/2015Intake/Investigation ID:2015-012786Completed Date:01/12/2015

IDENTIFICATION OF THREATS OF DANGER TO A CHILD

I. DANGER THREATS

(Severity and significance of diminished Parent/Legal Guardian Protective Capacities as it relates to child vulnerability which creates a threat to child safety. The vulnerability of each child needs to be considered throughout information collection and assessment).

Yes	
No	1. Parent/Legal Guardian/Caregiver is not meeting child's basic and essential needs for food, clothing and/or supervision, AND child is/has already been seriously harmed or will likely be serious harmed.
	2. Parent/Legal Guardian/Caregiver's intentional and willful act caused serious physical injury to the child, or the caregiver intended to seriously injury the child
	3. Parent/Legal Guardian/Caregiver is violent, impulsive, or acting dangerously in ways that have seriously harmed the child or will likely seriously harm the child.
	4. Parent/Legal Guardian/Caregiver is threatening to seriously harm the child; Parent/Legal Guardian is fearful he/she will seriously harm the child.
	5. Parent/Legal Guardian/Caregiver views child and/or acts toward the child in extremely negative ways AND such behavior has or will result in serious harm to the child.
	6. Child shows serious emotional symptoms requiring immediate intervention and/or lacks behavioral control and/or exhibits self-destructive behavior that Parent/Legal Guardian/Caregiver is unwilling or unable to manage.
	7. Child has a serious illness or injury (indicative of child abuse) that is unexplained, or the Parent/Legal Guardian/Caregiver explanations are inconsistent with the illness or injury.

		8. The child's physical living conditions are hazardous and a child has already been seriously injured or will likely be seriously injured. The living conditions seriously endanger a child's physical health.
		9. There are reports of serious harm and the child's whereabouts cannot be ascertained and/or there is a reason to believe that the family is about to flee to avoid agency intervention and/or refuses access to the child and the reported concern is significant and indicates serious harm.
		10. Parent/Legal Guardian/Caregiver is not meeting the child's essential medical needs AND the child is/has already been seriously harmed or will likely be seriously harmed.
		11. Other. Explain:
II. S	AFE	TY INTERVENTION
	No	Present Danger Threats are identified.
		nger Threat(s) identified - Present danger threat is identified. Proceed to develop or modify sting Safety Plan, continue information collection and Family Functioning Assessment.

Briefly describe assessment of the Parent/Legal Guardian/Caregiver's historical and current capacity to, ability to, and willingness to protect the child.

The father, Anthony Williams, engages in verbal and physical altercations with the mother, Amelia Lee. These altercations are in the presence of their child, Alex Williams. There is a reported and unreported history of domestic violence. Since Alex's birth the police have been called out to the residence three times for domestic disputes. Mr. Williams was arrested in December 2014 for battery after hitting the mother in the face with a wipes box while she was changing Alex's diaper. Last night the father threatened to kill the mother with a steak knife while she was holding Alex. Ms. Lee and Alex left the family home after the threat was made, but Ms. Lee has a history of returning to Mr. Williams following verbal and physical altercations. Present danger is identified based on this information.

If at any time during agency intervention a danger threat is determined, immediately proceed to implementing a Safety Plan and conducting an In-Home Safety Analysis.



FLORIDA SAFETY DECISION MAKING METHODOLOGY Child Safety Plan

Case Name: LEE, AMELIA Intake/Investigation ID: 2015-012786

Worker Name: LOPEZ, MARIA Effective Date: 01/11/2015

Safety Plan Purpose: Present Danger Safety Plan Safety Plan Type: ○ Individual(s) X Family

Child Name	Date of Birth	Age
LEE, ALEX	04/25/2013	0

A. DANGER THREAT(S) DESCRIPTION

Specific Threats to Child Safety – Describe safety concerns that would pose present or impending danger

These altercations are in the presence of their child, Alex Williams. There is a reported and unreported history of domestic violence. Since Alex's birth the police have been called out to the residence three times for domestic disputes. Mr. Williams was arrested in December 2014 for battery after hitting the mother in the face with a wipes box while she was changing Alex's diaper. Last night the father threatened to kill the mother with a steak knife while she was holding Alex. Ms. Lee and Alex left the family home after the threat was made, but Ms. Lee has a history of returning to Mr. Williams following verbal and physical altercations. Mr. Williams has refused to participate in any safety planning activities.

B. SAFETY PLAN

Actions to Keep Child Safe	Who is Responsible for the Action?	Resources or People Who Will Help	Freq. of Intervention
Amelia and Alex will reside in a home separate from Anthony Williams. If they move into a residence with Mr. Williams Helping Hands staff, Meghan Woods and Jennifer Dull will immediately notify the Child Protective Investigator, Maria Lopez or Child Protective Investigator Supervisor, Charles Newton	Meghan Woods Jennifer Dull	Maria Lopez Charles Newton	Daily
Edna Peters with Family Success Program will be making daily contact with the mother, Amelia Lee, to ensure Alex is not having unsupervised contact with Anthony Williams. If she finds out the	Edna Peters	Maria Lopez Charles Newton	Daily

safety plan is not being follo immediately notify the Child Investigator, Maria Lopez o Protective Investigator Sup Charles Newton	d Protective or Child			
D. TERMINATION				
Termination Date:				
Reason Plan is No Longer Requi	ired:			
Other Reason Plan is No Longer	Required:			
C. SIGNATURES				
Caregiver:	Date:			
Other:	Date:			
Worker:	Date:			
Supervisor:	Date:			
We	orker will provide a copy to persons included	in the plan to ensure child	safety	



FLORIDA SAFETY DECISION MAKING METHODOLOGY Child Safety Plan

Case Name: LEE, AMELIA Intake/Investigation ID: 2015-012786

Worker Name: LOPEZ, MARIA Effective Date: 01/11/2015

Safety Plan Purpose: Present Danger Safety Plan Safety Plan Type: ○ Individual(s) X Family

Child Name	Date of Birth	Age
LEE, ALEX	04/25/2013	0

D. DANGER THREAT(S) DESCRIPTION Specific Threats to Child Safety – Describe safety concerns that would pose present or impending danger

The father, Anthony Williams, engages in verbal and physical altercations with the mother, Amelia Lee. These altercations are in the presence of their child, Alex Williams. There is a reported and unreported history of domestic violence. Since Alex's birth the police have been called out to the residence three times for domestic disputes. Mr. Williams was arrested in December 2014 for battery after hitting the mother in the face with a wipes box while she was changing Alex's diaper. Last night the father threatened to kill the mother with a steak knife while she was holding Alex. Ms. Lee and Alex left the family home after the threat was made, but Ms. Lee has a history of returning to Mr. Williams following verbal and physical altercations. Mr. Williams has refused to participate in any safety planning activities.

E. SAFETY PLAN

Actions to Keep Child Safe	Who is Responsible for the Action?	Resources or People Who Will Help	Freq. of Intervention
A Chapter 39 Injunction will be filed that will only allow supervised visitation	CPI Maria Lopez	DCF Attorney Amy Laws	Ongoing
between Anthony Williams and his son	Family	Allly Laws	
Alex Williams at the Family Supervised	Supervised		
Visitation Center.	Visitation Center		

Reason Plan is No Longer F	Required:	
Other Reason Plan is No Lo	onger Required:	
F. SIGNATURES		
Caregiver:	Date:	
Caregiver:	Date:	
Other:	Date:	
Worker:	Date:	
Supervisor:	Date:	
	Worker will provide a copy to persons included in the plan to ensure child	safety

D. TERMINATION

Termination Date:



FLORIDA SAFETY DECISION MAKING METHODOLOGY Information Collection and Family Functioning Assessment

Initial Intake Received Date: 01/11/2015

Date Completed: 01/24/2015

Intake/Investigation ID: 101124324

I. MALTREATMENT AND NATURE OF MALTREATMENT

What is the extent of the maltreatment? What surrounding circumstances accompany the alleged maltreatment?

MALTREATMENT

When this report was initiated Amelia Lee and Anthony Williams were living together with their son, Alex Williams. On January 10, 2015 an argument occurred between Ms. Lee and Mr. Williams. During this argument Ms. Lee attempted to leave the residence with Alex in her arms. Although Mr. Williams did not become physically violent towards Ms. Lee he did take out a knife and threatened to kill her if she left with Alex. Ms. Lee called Edna Peters from Family Success and left a voicemail asking to be picked up from the home. In the voicemail Mr. Williams can be heard saying in the background "Alex is not going nowhere I can promise you that. I'll kill you if you try to take him." He then continued to agitate Ms. Lee by saying "I wish you would take the baby and be gone all day and night. You better hide, but I'll find you anyway. You can believe that." Although Alex was not physically harmed during the altercation he was crying. Ms. Lee called the police after Mr. Williams put down the knife and requested transportation for her and Alex to a safe, confidential location. She did not tell the police about the threats because she did not want Mr. Williams to be arrested.

NATURE OF THE MALTREATMENT (SURROUNDING CIRCUMSTANCES):

The argument on January 10 began after Mr. Williams bought a video game with money he was supposed to use for diapers. Even after being confronted about the voicemail on Ms. Peter's phone Mr. Williams denied that he ever threatened Ms. Lee verbally or with a knife. He later claimed during the argument he was speaking in a protective manner towards his son and said "if anyone tries to take his son, he would have to do something, and would even kill for his son". He denied he meant this as a threat towards Ms. Lee. During the initial interview Ms. Lee reported being scared that Mr. Williams was going to hurt Alex during the altercation because he had a knife. Later on in the investigation Ms. Lee began minimizing the incident stating that she does not think Mr. Williams was making a serious threat towards her or Alex when he threatened to kill her and he was just saying things because he was upset.

The police have responded to the family's residence on three separate occasions since November 2014 due to altercations between the parents. Ms. Lee and Mr. Williams frequently argue over money and the amount of time Mr. Williams spends with friends, instead of with his family. During these arguments Mr. Williams has become threatening, and at times violent, towards Ms. Lee. His first and only arrest was for simple battery in November 2014 after he hit Ms. Lee with a baby wipes container and left a mark on her arm. Ms. Lee has no criminal history as an adult and no serious criminal history as a juvenile.

In the beginning of the investigation Ms. Lee appeared to recognize the dangerousness of Mr. Williams's behaviors and she was willing to participate in a present danger plan to protect Alex from these behaviors. As the investigation continued Ms. Lee began to downplay and minimize Mr. Williams's violent behavior and expressed wanting to continue to be a family with him.

SUMMARY OF PRIORS:

There is one prior report, received in November 2014, which involves the parents as caregivers. The allegations state that Mr. Williams was arrested after he threw a baby wipes container at Ms. Lee injuring her arm. Alex was present during this altercation and the report closed with not substantiated findings of family violence threatens child. There is a pattern developing of reported and unreported incidents of violence within this home. It is also noteworthy that Ms. Lee is listed as a child victim on multiple reports, four of which were verified for family violence. Both Mr. Williams and Ms. Lee were removed from their parents during their childhood.

SOURCES/PEOPLE INTERVIEWED, COLLATERALS AND OBSERVATIONS: Amelia Lee (mother), Anthony Williams (father), Edna Peters (Family Success), Nicole Byrd (Prior CPI), CPI Observations, Tallahassee Police Department records

FINDINGS:

There are verified findings of family violence threatens child with Anthony Williams as the caregiver responsible.

ANALYSIS:

Anthony Williams has a history of violent and dangerous behaviors throughout his relationship with Amelia Lee. Mr. Williams has taken no responsibility for his behavior and continues to downplay and deny that any violence has occurred despite evidence to the contrary. The incidents of violence and increased lethality in the threats of violence are not able to be managed by the family and additional assistance is required.

Related Impending Danger Threats	Impending Danger Threat?	
Based on case information specific to the Extent of Maltreatment and Circumstances Surrounding Maltreatment Assessment domains, indicate Yes, Impending Danger exists or No, Impending Danger does not exist.	Yes	No
Parent's/Legal Guardian's or Caregiver's intentional and willful act caused serious physical injury to the child, or the parent/legal guardian or caregiver intended to seriously injure the child.		
Child has a serious illness or injury (indicative of child abuse) that is unexplained, or the Parent's/Legal Guardian's or Caregiver's explanations are inconsistent with the illness or injury.		\boxtimes
The child's physical living conditions are hazardous and a child has already been seriously injured or will likely be seriously injured. The living conditions seriously endanger the child's physical health.		\boxtimes

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II. CHILD FUNCTIONING

How does the child function on a daily basis? Include physical health, development; emotion and temperament; intellectual functioning; behavior; ability to communicate; self-control; educational performance; peer relations; behaviors that seem to provoke parent/caregiver reaction/behavior; activities with family and others. Include a description of each child's vulnerability based on threats identified.

WILLIAMS, ALEX

Alex Williams is an active eight month old. He is a happy baby who rarely cries and engages easily with others through eye contact and smiles. He is able to sit independently and reaches for objects with both hands. Currently he is crawling and is standing and bouncing with support. Although he is not yet saying words he is babbling and imitating the sounds others make. He has exhibited an attachment to his father, lighting up and babbling at him, when he sees him. When with Ms. Lee he seeks out her attention, frequently smiling and laughing around her.

SOURCES/PEOPLE INTERVIEWED, COLLATERALS AND OBSERVATIONS:

Amelia Lee (mother), Anthony Williams (father), Edna Peters (Family Success), Ann Williams (Paternal Grandmother), Judy Pendz (Happy Children Pediatrics), CPI Observations

ANALYSIS:

Despite meeting all of his developmental milestones Alex remains highly vulnerable due to his young age and high dependence on those around him for care and protection. He has shown a strong attachment to both of his parents.

Related Child Functioning Impending Danger Threats:	Impendi	•
Based on case information specific to the Child Functioning Assessment domain, indicate Yes, Impending Danger exists or No, Impending Danger does not exist.	Yes	No
Child shows serious emotional symptoms requiring intervention and/or lacks behavioral control and/or exhibits self-destructive behavior that the Parent/Legal Guardian or Caregiver are unwilling or unable to manage to keep the child safe		\boxtimes

III. ADULT FUNCTIONING

How does the adult function on a daily basis? Overall life management. Include assessment and analysis of prior child abuse/neglect history, criminal behavior, impulse control, substance use/abuse, violence and domestic violence, mental health; include an assessment of the adult's physical health, emotion and temperament, cognitive ability; intellectual functioning; behavior; ability to communicate; self-control; education; peer and family relations, employment, etc.

LEE, AMELIA

ADULT FUNCTIONING:

Amelia Lee is a twenty-one year old who continues to have a positive outlook on life despite having to overcome multiple obstacles. Amelia was born and raised in Miami where she had a difficult childhood. Her father left when she was young and has not been involved with her since. Soon after her father left her mother remarried. Ms. Lee's step father was very abusive towards her mother. They fought frequently and Ms. Lee recalls multiple incidences where her step father became violent towards her mother. At the age of fourteen Ms. Lee was removed from her mother's care after being choked by her Step-Father when she attempted to protect her mother from his violent behaviors. She regrets intervening as she did not want to be removed from her mother. During the removal Ms. Lee staved with her Aunt, but did not get along well with her, and was happy to be reunified with her mother a year later. The fighting between her mother and step father continued through the rest of Ms. Lee's childhood. Ms. Lee and her mother maintain a close relationship and were residing together before Ms. Lee relocated to Tallahassee to live with Mr. Williams. Since moving it has been difficult for Ms. Lee to communicate with her mother as Mr. Williams is restrictive over her phone usage. Due to limited transportation access Ms. Lee has also had difficulty forming new relationships since moving to Tallahassee.

Ms. Lee refers to herself as a "bad kid" stating that she was disrespectful, defiant and had no respect for authority. While still a minor she was arrested for marijuana possession after holding a friends drugs for them. Although she was very defiant and was friends with the "wrong crowd", she never had a problem with drugs. She tried marijuana once and didn't like the way it made her feel so never used drugs again.

Ms. Lee's disrespectful attitude during her teenage years led to multiple suspensions and she dropped out of school in the tenth grade. After dropping out she no longer hung out with the friends who had a bad influence on her. She now recognizes how difficult she made life for herself back then. She has been able to attain her GED and until recently was employed as a gas station attendant. When she moved to Tallahassee she had planned to go back to school to become a dental hygienist, but this plan was put on hold when Mr. Williams made it clear he wanted her to stay home with Alex. This has led to Ms. Lee being financially dependent on Mr. Williams. Although she enjoys being a stay at home mother Ms. Lee is thinking about going back to school so she can financially support herself.

Amelia Lee and Anthony Williams have been together as a couple for a little over four years. They have known each other since High School and Ms. Lee was immediately attracted to him. This is her first and only committed relationship. When Mr. Williams decided to relocate to Tallahassee Ms. Lee stayed in Miami as she was not ready to move in with him yet. This changed after she found out she was pregnant and she moved to Tallahassee a month before giving birth to Alex.

Ms. Lee wishes to remain in a committed relationship with Mr. Williams. She is able to express that the relationship that she has with Mr. Williams is not always good. Even though things go well some of the time, he does become violent and says mean and threatening things to her when angry. She is willing to stand up for herself, but sometimes she feels that if she would not talk quite so much, he wouldn't be so angry. She has sought help out on her own to make her relationship stronger and has been

engaged in services with Family Success who has been providing counseling and domestic violence education since December 2014.

SOURCES/PEOPLE INTERVIEWED, COLLATERALS AND OBSERVATIONS: Amelia Lee (mother), Anthony Williams (father), Liz Lee (Maternal Grandmother)

ANALYSIS:

Amelia Lee was raised in a home with ongoing violence which has impacted her perception of what normal relationships are. Even though she is able to express that adults are responsible for the home environment, she has internalized responsibility for the violence that occurred in her childhood home. She has also internalized responsibility for the violence in her current relationship. Although Ms. Lee does not condone Mr. Williams's violent behaviors she wishes for them to remain a family so Alex can grow up with both parents. Her behaviors and comments indicate an internal struggle between the life that she desires and the life that she is living.

WILLIAM, ANTHONY

ADULT FUNCTIONING:

Anthony Williams is twenty-one years old. He was removed from his mother when he was still a baby and placed in foster care. He was subsequently adopted by his foster mother. He grew up without a father figure in his life which was difficult for him. Mr. Williams did well in school, and after graduating from High School, was planning to get a basketball scholarship so he could go to college. He changed his plans after finding out Ms. Lee was pregnant. He is currently employed full time at Twins Towing where he often has to work late nights and weekends. Mr. Williams believes that if Ms. Lee had not gotten pregnant his life would be easier. He made the decision to take care of his family and that means working and paying the bills instead of going to college.

Mr. Williams has only had one committed relationship, which has been with Amelia Lee. He became geographically separated from Ms. Lee in 2014 when he left Miami to move to Tallahassee so he could be closer to his mother. Despite the distance they remained in a relationship and after they found out Ms. Lee was pregnant she made plans to move to Tallahassee. Mr. Williams worked and saved money so he could get a home for the family before Alex was born.

Mr. Williams claims the only source of stress in his life is his relationship with Ms. Lee. He manages this stress by avoiding the relationship. He either doesn't come home after work or he will sometimes walk away to cool off during an argument. Despite this management technique Mr. Williams has become violent and made multiple threats of violence towards Ms. Lee.

In December 2014 there was a call to law enforcement regarding Mr. Williams threatening to drive his truck into a lake with Alex in the vehicle. This occurred during an argument after Ms. Lee stated she was going to leave with Alex. At the time of the incident Ms. Lee was scared and left the home with Alex. She returned a couple of days later denying that Mr. Williams would actually harm Alex or her. Mr. Williams did admit to making the threat, but said his words were taken out of context and he was

just trying to protect Alex. His explanation was that he meant if anyone was chasing after him in a car trying to take Alex from him he would do whatever he needed to do, even if it meant driving into a lake with Alex in the car. He stated "the baby is still here and the truck is still here so obviously I didn't drive it into a lake".

In November 2014 the police were called and a DCF investigation was initiated after Mr. Williams threw a baby wipes container at Ms. Lee while she was changing Alex's diaper. This left a red mark on Ms. Lee's arm. Both parent have claimed that this was an accident and that Mr. Williams did not mean to throw the container, but it slipped out of his hands. According to law enforcement when they arrived Ms. Lee ran up to the police car to report that "he hit me again". Ms. Lee was clearly distraught and fearful as a result of what happened. When the officer was in the home he observed the home to be in such a state of disarray it appeared that there had been many items thrown. This contradicts the parents account that only a wipes container was accidently thrown. Mr. Williams was arrested for misdemeanor simple battery against Ms. Lee.

Since the most recent altercation in January Mr. Williams claims to be no longer interested in continuing his romantic relationship with Ms. Lee; however, he does want Ms. Lee to live in the home with him and Alex. He continues to deny most of his violent behaviors have occurred and when he does admit to doing things he downplays the significance and seriousness of his acts. He justifies his threatening comments as being protective of Alex. An example of this is when he explained his threats to kill Ms. Lee by saying he was making protective statements to keep Alex with him. Ms. Lee has reported that Mr. Lee was violent and threatening towards her prior to the birth of Alex, but has not gone into details about what his behaviors were.

There are elements of power and control evident in the relationship between Ms. Lee and Mr. Williams. Mr. Williams is the only one working and has a checking account for the money he makes. Ms. Lee has no way to access the funds in this bank account. Mr. Williams limits what Ms. Lee is able to purchase for the home and only gives her money after she tells him what she is going to buy with it. Mr. Williams has also limited Ms. Lee's access to a phone. Whenever he leaves the home he takes the couples only phone with him and gives Ms. Lee only limited access to it when at home. He justifies this by stating he does not want Ms. Lee to use up all of the minutes on it, even though she has no history of this type of behavior.

SOURCES/PEOPLE INTERVIEWED, COLLATERALS AND OBSERVATIONS: Amelia Lee (mother), Anthony Williams (father), Edna Peters (Family Success), Ann Williams (Paternal Grandmother)

ANALYSIS:

Anthony Williams is hard working and is able to financially care for his family. However, Mr. Williams is domineering in his relationship with Ms. Lee and has isolated her from her family and made her financially dependent on him. Mr. Williams's controlling and violent behaviors have become increasingly more dangerous. Mr. Williams is in denial about his behaviors and refuses to take responsibility for them.

Related Adult Functioning Impending Danger Threats:	Impendin Danger T	-
Based on case information specific to the Adult Functioning Assessment domain, indicate Yes, Impending Danger exists or No, Impending Danger does not exist.	Yes	No
Parent/Legal Guardian or Caregiver is violent, impulsive, cannot or will not control behavior or is acting dangerously in ways that have seriously harmed the child or will likely seriously harm to the child.		

IV. PARENTING

General – What are the overall, typical, parenting practices used by the parents/legal guardians? Discipline/Behavior Management – What are the disciplinary approaches used by the parents/legal guardians, and under what circumstances?

LEE, AMELIA

PARENTING:

Amelia Lee is the mother to Alex, who is her first child. Although this is her first time being a parent she helped a lot with her younger siblings, providing daily care and supervision for them, so she is not new to the caregiving role. She loves being a parent. Although she was not planning on becoming pregnant when she did, she and Mr. Williams were not using any birth control to prevent the pregnancy. She was happy when she found out that she was pregnant and moved to Tallahassee to be with Mr. Williams shortly before giving birth.

Ms. Lee is a very loving and caring mother. During her relationship with Mr. Williams she is the one that has taken on most of Alex's daily care responsibilities such as feeding and changing him. She spends her days caring for Alex, playing with him, talking to him and meeting his needs. Ms. Lee has encourages Alex's development. As an example, while feeding him crackers she repeated the word cracker over and over every time she gave him one to encourage his language development. She has been meeting his health and nutritional needs by taking him to all of his scheduled pediatrics appointments and enrolling him in the WIC program.

Ms. Lee would like for Alex to be able to live with both of his parents in a loving home. She does not want Alex to witness the violence that she saw as a child and has taken some protective measures to prevent this. For example, she called the police after she became concerned Alex could get hurt during the altercation in January. She also has left the residence with Alex multiple times to get him away from Mr. Williams after he had become violent and threatening.

Despite her initial steps to protect Alex from Mr. Williams's behaviors after time passes Ms. Lee minimizes the threats and acts of violence and makes contradictory statements about the seriousness of Mr. Williams's actions. This has led her to continue allowing Mr. Williams to have unsupervised contact with Alex even though this goes against the present danger plan and court order that were put in place to protect Alex from Mr. Williams's violent behaviors.

DISCIPLINE:

Amelia Lee doesn't remember receiving much discipline at all growing up. When Ms. Lee was a teenager, she was defiant and disrespectful, so she doesn't think discipline would have worked on her.

Currently Ms. Lee does not discipline Alex. In fact it hurts her feelings so much to see him upset that she doesn't know if she will be able to discipline him. On one occasion Alex pulled Ms. Lee's hair and when she reacted by loudly saying ouch he started to cry. She immediately put her hair back in his hand and told him it was okay. She does not know what form of discipline she will use with Alex, but does plan to teach him right from wrong. She had not discussed discipline with Mr. Williams so does not know how he will approach it either.

SOURCES/INTERVIEWS, COLLATERALS AND OBSERVATIONS:

Amelia Lee (mother), Anthony Williams (father), Edna Peters (Family Success), Ann Williams (Paternal Grandmother), Judy Pendz (Happy Children Pediatrics)

ANALYSIS:

Amelia Lee is a loving and devoted mother. She engages with Alex throughout the day and values her time with him. Ms. Lee was raised in a home where there was frequent violence between her mother and step-father and she does not want Alex to witness this behavior. Although she recognizes that Anthony Williams is violent she has such a strong desire for a loving family she minimizes the severity of the violence and is unable to protect Alex from the violence until after it has already begun.

WILLIAMS, ANTHONY

CAREGIVER 2 PARENTING:

Anthony Williams is new to being a parent and Alex is his first child. He was not planning on having a child, but was excited when he found out Ms. Lee was pregnant. He is devoted to being a parent and feels strongly about being a part of Alex's life. He was adopted when he was young and was raised by a single mother. He does not know who his father is and does not want that for his child.

He has memories of his mother being loving and caring towards him and he plans to model his parenting after her. He loves being a father and wants to do everything that he can for Alex. He was able to describe Alex's current level of development and enjoys playing with him. He leaves most of the daily care, such as feeding, to Ms. Lee.

Mr. Williams has been aggressive towards Ms. Lee in words and actions in front of Alex. He denies that his behaviors have had any impact on Alex as he claims Alex does not understand what he is saying. He did report that Alex was crying during the parent's last fight, but said "babies cry" and did not make the connection between the fight and Alex becoming upset. Although he expresses that he would never harm Alex, he has made comments that he would drive into a lake with Alex in the car if anyone tried to take him away. He also has made comments that he would kill Ms. Lee if she ever tried to take Alex away from him. Mr. Williams explains that when he makes these comments he is not making threats, but rather he is being protective of Alex.

Mr. Williams has chosen to not participate in any visitation with Alex unless they are living together in the same home and has not seen his son in two weeks.

PARENTING - DISCIPLINE:

When Anthony Williams was growing up he would lose privileges when he got in trouble. He doesn't remember many times that he did get into trouble because he was a well-behaved child.

Anthony does not currently discipline Alex because he believes he is too young. He does not know when Alex will be old enough to discipline or what method of discipline he will use. He has not discussed behavior management techniques with Ms. Lee and does not know how she plans to discipline Alex.

SOURCES/INTERVIEWS, COLLATERALS AND OBSERVATIONS:

Amelia Lee (mother), Anthony Williams (father), Edna Peters (Family Success), Ann Williams (Paternal Grandmother)

ANALYSIS:

Anthony Williams is a young a man who was raised without knowing his father. He perceives that as a loss in his life and expresses that he doesn't want the same thing to happen to his son. However, Anthony is unable to recognize the dangerous nature of the family environment he has created for Alex. He ultimately has chosen to have no contact with Alex if they can't be living in the same home together despite the negative impact this could have on their relationship. This decision appears contrary to his repeated statements that he wants to be there for Alex.

Related Parenting Impending Danger Threats: Based on case information specific to the Parenting General and Parent Discipline Assessment domains, indicate Yes, Impending Danger exists or No, Impending Danger	Impendir Danger T	•
does not exist.	Yes	No
Parent/Legal Guardian or Caregiver is not meeting child's basic and essential needs for food, clothing, and/or supervision AND the child is/has already been seriously harmed or will likely be seriously harmed.		\boxtimes
Parent/Legal Guardian or Caregiver is threatening to seriously harm the child and/or parent/legal guardian or caregiver is fearful he/she will seriously harm the child.		\boxtimes
Parent/Legal Guardian or Caregiver views child and/or acts toward the child in extremely negative ways AND such behavior has or will result in serious harm to the child.		

V. PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN PROTECTIVE CAPACITIES ANALYSIS

		Beh	avior	al			Cog	nitive					Emo	otiona	ıl				
	Controls Impulses	Takes Action	Sets aside own needs for child	Demonstrates adequate skills	Adaptive as a Parent/Legal Guardian	History of Protecting	Is self-aware	Is intellectually able	Recognizes threats	Recognizes childs needs	Understands protective role	Plans and articulates plans for protection	Meets own emotional needs	Is resilient	Is tolerant	Is stable	Expresses love, empathy, sensitivity to the child	Is positively attached with child	Is aligned and supports the child
LEE, AMELIA	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	N	N	N	Υ	N	Υ	N	N	N	N	Υ	N	Υ	N	N
WILLIAMS, ANTHONY	N	Υ	N	N	N	N	N	Υ	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N

Parent/Legal Guardian Protective Capacity Determination Summary:	Yes No
Protective capacities are sufficient to manage identified threats of danger in relation to child's vulnerability?	

VI. CHILD SAFETY DETERMINATION AND SUMMARY

If there are more than five children to assess, complete Appendix B – Child Safety Determination and Summary

Child	Safety Determination
WILLIAMS,	☐ Safe – No impending danger safety threats that meet the safety threshold.
Alex	☐ Safe – Impending danger threats are being effectively controlled and managed by a
	parent/legal guardian in the home.
	□ Unsafe □

Child Safety Analysis Summary:

Since November 2014 there have been three known incidences where Mr. Williams has become threatening and at times physically violent with Ms. Lee in Alex's presence. Although the last incident did not become physical Mr. Williams used a knife to threaten Ms. Lee. Mr. Williams's violent and threatening behaviors are escalating in frequency, severity and lethality. Ms. Lee's protective capacities are not sufficient to manage the danger in the home when Ms. Williams behaves in a violent and threatening manner.

VII. IN-HOME SAFETY ANALYSIS AND PLANNING

	Yes No
The Parent/Legal Guardians are willing for an in-home safety plan to be developed and implemented and have demonstrated that they will cooperate with all identified safety service providers.	
`The home environment is calm and consistent enough for an in-home safety plan to be implemented and for safety service providers to be in the home safety.	
Safety services are available at a sufficient level and to the degree necessary in order to manage the way in which impending danger is manifested in the home.	
An in-home safety plan and the use of in-home safety services can sufficiently manage impending danger without the results of scheduled professional evaluations.	\square
The Parent/Legal Guardians have a physical location in which to implement an in-home safety plan.	\boxtimes

Summarize reason for Out of Home Safety Plan or removal/placement (if applicable) and conditions for return. Conditions for return should be related to reasons for removal and behaviorally based. These are parent/Legal guardian actions and behaviors that must be demonstrated over time to sufficiently address the impending danger and allow for the child to safety return home.

Mr. Williams believes the Department of Children and Families is harassing him and his family, denies that his behavior are a threat to his son, and has refused to cooperate with or participate in any safety planning. Ms. Lee was initially willing to cooperate with a safety plan, but has since denied that Mr. Williams's behaviors are a threat to Alex and believes any restrictions on Mr. Williams's access to his son are unfair. Mr. Williams's violent and threatening behaviors are unpredictable in nature and there are no informal or formal services currently available that can be put in place that will fully control these behaviors. Due to these factors the Department of Children and Families cannot control the danger threat with an inhome safety plan at this time.

Conditions for return:

The predictability of Anthony Williams's violent and threatening behaviors will be understood, including any triggers or patterns in his behaviors, so it is known when it is likely for these behaviors to occur. To prevent Alex from being exposed to any of his father's dangerous behaviors there will be a sufficient level of informal and formal safety service providers who can intervene when needed to protect Alex from the danger threat. The parents will be willing to cooperate with these safety service providers and allow them to step in to protect Alex when necessary.



FLORIDA SAFETY DECISION MAKING METHODOLOGY Child Safety Plan

Case Name: LEE, AMELIA Intake/Investigation ID: 2015-012786

Worker Name: LOPEZ, MARIA Effective Date: 01/23/2015

Safety Plan Purpose: Present Danger Safety Plan

Safety Plan Type: ○ Individual(s) X Family

Child Name	Date of Birth	Age
LEE, ALEX	04/25/2013	0

G. DANGER THREAT(S) DESCRIPTION

Specific Threats to Child Safety – Describe safety concerns that would pose present or impending danger

The father, Anthony Williams, engages in verbal and physical altercations with the mother, Amelia Lee. These altercations are in the presence of their child, Alex Williams. There is a reported and unreported history of domestic violence. Since Alex's birth the police have been called out to the residence three times for domestic disputes. Mr. Williams was arrested in December 2014 for battery after hitting the mother in the face with a wipes box while she was changing Alex's diaper. Last night the father threatened to kill the mother with a steak knife while she was holding Alex. Ms. Lee and Alex left the family home after the

H. SAFETY PLAN

Actions to Keep Child Safe	Who is Responsible for the Action?	Resources or People Who Will Help	Freq. of Intervention
Alex will be removed from Amelia Lee's custody and placed in foster care. While in care his daily needs for food, protection, and supervision will be met.	CPI Maria Lopez	DCF Attorney Amy Laws Foster Parents	Ongoing
Supervised visitation between Amelia Lee and her son, Alex Williams will be set up the Family Supervised Visitation Center.	CPI Maria Lopez	None	Weekly
Visitation between Amelia Lee and her son Alex Williams will be supervised by the Family Supervised Visitation Center or by Edna Peters with Family Success.	Family Supervised Visitation Center Edna Peters	None	Weekly

D. TERMINATION			
Termination Date:			
Reason Plan is No Longer Required:			
Other Reason Plan is No Longer Required:			
I. SIGNATURES			
Caregiver:	Date:		
Caregiver:	Date:		
Other:	Date:		
Worker:	Date:		
Supervisor:	Date:		
Worker will provide a copy to po	ersons included in the plan to en	sure child safety	



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met. Supervised visitation between Anthony Williams and his son, Alex Williams will be set up the Family Supervised Visitation	CPI Maria Lopez	None	Weekly
Center. Visitation between Amelia Lee and her son Alex Williams will be supervised by the Family Supervised Visitation Center.	Family Supervised Visitation Center	None	Weekly

D. TERMINATION	
Termination Date:	
Reason Plan is No Longer Required:	
Other Reason Plan is No Longer Required:	
L. SIGNATURES	
Caregiver:	Date:
Caregiver:	Date:
Other:	Date:
Worker:	Date:
Supervisor:	Date:
Worker will provide a cop	by to persons included in the plan to ensure child safety



FLORIDA SAFETY DECISION MAKING METHODOLOGY

Family (Household) Risk Assessment of Child Abuse/Neglect FSFN Case ID: 101124324

Case Name. Lee, Amena	1 01 14 0000 15. 10112-32-4		
Investigation ID: 2015-012786	Assessment Date: 02/18/2015		
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Participant Name	Date of Birth	Role
Williams, Alex	04/25/2014	
Williams, Anthony	09/19/1993	Secondary Caregiver
Lee, Amelia	11/09/1993	Primary Caregiver

NEG	LECT	Score	ABU	SE Score
N1.	Current complaint is for neglect ☐ No	1	A1.	Current complaint is for abuse ☒ No
N2.	Prior investigations (assign highest score that applies) □ □ None 0 □ One or more, abuse only 1 ☒ One or two for neglect 2 □ Three or more for neglect 3	2	A2.	Number of prior abuse investigations 0 None 1 Two or more 2 (actual number:)
N3.	Household has previously received ongoing child protective No0 ☐ Yes1	e services	A3.	Household has previously received ongoing child protective services No0 ☐ Yes
N4.	Number of children involved in the child abuse/neglect incid ☐ One, two, or three0 ☐ Four or more1	lent <u>0</u>	A4.	Prior injury to a child resulting from child abuse/neglect ☒ No
N5.	Age of youngest child in the home ☐ 2 or older	1	A5.	Primary caregiver's assessment of incident ☐ Not Applicable
N6.	Primary caregiver provides physical care consistent with chi ☐ Yes	ild needs 0	A6.	Justifies maltreatment
N7.	Primary caregiver has a historic or current mental health pro ☑ No0	oblem	-	□ No
N8.	☐ Yes		A7.	Primary caregiver characteristics Not Applicable
N9.	☐ Historic (prior to last 12 months) Characteristics of children in household Not Applicable	score):	A9.	⊠ Yes
N10.	Housing ☑ Not Applicable	core): 0	A10.	□ Current (within the last 12 months) □ Historic (prior to last 12 months) Characteristics of children in household ☑ Not Applicable

SCOREI the follow		_	the family's scored risk level	based on the high	nest score on	either the neglec	t or abuse index, using
Neglect :	Score .	Abuse Score	Scored Risk Level				
□ 0-	-1	□ 0−1	☐ Low				
☑ 2-	-4	☑ 2–4					
□ 5-	-8	□ 5–7	☐ High				
□ 9	+	□ 8 +	☐ Very High				
POLICY risk level			if a condition shown below	is applicable in this	s case. If <u>any</u>	\underline{v} condition is appl	licable, override final
☐ Yes	⊠ No	1. Sexual abus	e case AND the perpetrator	is likely to have a	ccess to the c	hild.	
☐ Yes	⊠ No	2. Non-accider	ntal injury to a child younger	than 2 years old.			
☐ Yes	⊠ No	3. Severe non-	accidental injury.				
☐ Yes	⊠ No	4. Caregiver(s)	action or inaction resulted i	n death of a child	due to abuse	or neglect (previo	ous or current).
		Y OVERRIDE. rridden one leve	If a discretionary override is I higher.	made, mark yes, r	mark override	risk level, and in	dicate reason. Risk
☐ Yes	⊠ No	5. If yes, overr	de risk level (mark one):	☐ Moderate	☐ High	☐ Very High	
Discretion	onary O	verride Reason	:				
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