Scenario 1 Vignette

Jean, 23 years old, Biological Mother Sally, 4 years old, ACV Courtney, 1 year old, ACV Case Open for Ongoing Services

Jean is 23 years old and has two daughters, Sally age 4 and Courtney age 1. Sally and Courtney's father, Brian, is currently serving a 5 year sentence for felony burglary. They do not have any contact with him or his family. Jean and the girls do not currently have their own apartment so they often stay with friends or family. During the past few months they have stayed with Jean's grandmother, grandfather, and several friends. Each move seems to be triggered by a conflict between Jean and one of the other adults. Jean's grandfather recently pressed charges against her for stealing his new laptop.

Jean receives cash benefits, and food stamps. During past caseworker visits, the children appeared clean, were dressed appropriately and interacted positively with Jean. Jean admits that neither child is current on their immunizations.

Jean has a history of using Percocet and openly admits to her use. She does not admit to using any other substances. The caseworker has ordered several drugs screens for Jean, however she has not taken any of them.

Today, the caseworker received a phone call from the friend Jean had most recently been living with. The fried advised the worker that Jean and the girls had not been there for about 3 weeks. The friend stated that Jean and the girls were were staying in a home with 7 other known drug users and that one of the residents is an unregistered sex offender. The friend also reported that she had seen the girls the day before and Sally had a large bump on her head and Courtney had a severe diaper rash. The friend stated that Jean became upset with Sally for getting into her purse and shoved her against the wall and hit her. The friend also reported that she saw "track" marks on Jean's arm and suspects she is actively using heroin. As a result of these new allegations, a new report was initiated.

When the caseworker arrived at the home where Jean and the girls are currently staying, Jean came to the door and appeared disheveled. The caseworker asked to see both children. The caseworker observed that Sally had a bruise above her eye. Sally also had a hand print bruise on her back near her left shoulder blade. Sally would not speak to the worker and would not look away from Jean. Both girls were wearing dirty clothes, and did not appear to have bathed recently. Courtney had a rash on her behind that is bright red and blistered. Jean stated she has not taken Courtney for any medical treatment. The cupboards were empty aside from a few old bottles of seasoning. There were only two bottles of beer, two hot dogs and some condiments in the refrigerator. When questioned about the bruises on Sally, Jean explained that Sally fell while playing. The caseworker also observed that there were no beds for the girls to sleep in and Jean indicated that they had all three been sleeping on the couch.

- 1. Clearly write the active safety threat.
- 2. Develop activities that control for the threat.
- 3. Identify the responsible person(s) for each activity.
- 4. Identify and describe the monitoring strategies you would use for this safety plan.