

Scenario 2 Vignette

Michelle, 26 years old, Biological Mother

Julia, 2 days old, ACV

Kayden, 4 years old, ACV

Scott, 27 years old, Biological father of Julia

Michelle and Scott have been in a relationship for 11 months. Michelle became pregnant with Julia shortly after they began dating. Julia was born at the local hospital two days ago, there were no complications during the labor and delivery. Michelle also has a four year old son named Kayden from a previous relationship. Kayden does not have any involvement with his biological father.

Michelle tested positive for Suboxone during delivery. She admits to heavy use of narcotics throughout her pregnancy. The results of the toxicology screen on Julia have come back positive. Michelle was not surprised by the toxicology results because of her use. Julia is not showing any signs of withdrawal at this time.

Michelle is currently homeless. She had been staying with her friend Margie, however recently Michelle and Margie got into an argument and Margie told Michelle to leave. After leaving Margie's house Michelle and Kayden stayed with Scott at Scott's mothers' house. Recently Kayden expressed he does not like to stay there.

Both Michelle and Scott have a long history of using prescription pills. Michelle admits to selling her prescribed Suboxone to support her habit. She also shared that Scott uses and sells pills. Michelle openly admits to using while Kayden is in her care.

Scott has a history of being abusive towards children that are not his own. There have not been reports of physical violence or direct threats toward Kayden but it is believed Scott is emotionally abusive towards him. Scott and his family call Kayden derogatory names and use racial slurs around him.

Scott has a history of violent behavior. Scott seems to have a lot of control over Michelle. A search of police records revealed there has been one prior domestic violence report involving Scott and Michelle, however both deny the incident occurred. The caseworker has observed that Michelle's behavior becomes erratic when Scott threatens to leave her. Scott has recently told Michelle "I will die before you take my child" and "I will go to jail before someone takes my child from me" referring to Julia.

Margie, maternal grandmother, indicates she is able to provide food, shelter and clothing for both Julia and Kayden. Margie shared she and her family have already provided items for Julia. Margie also indicates that Michelle often calls other people to come care for Kayden when Margie is not available. Margie reports that if she is not available Michelle will usually ask Melany (Michele's sister).

Michelle has been cooperative with Children Services and has allowed Children Services to see the children.

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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.