## **DECISION TREE EXAMPLES:** PRIORITY RESPONSE DETERMINATIONS

Decision trees are tools to help with prompt responses to situations involving PSB. Below is an example of a decision tree used by a tribal agency to respond to child abuse and neglect (CAN) and PSB. When using decision trees, always consider the children with PSB and the impacted children.

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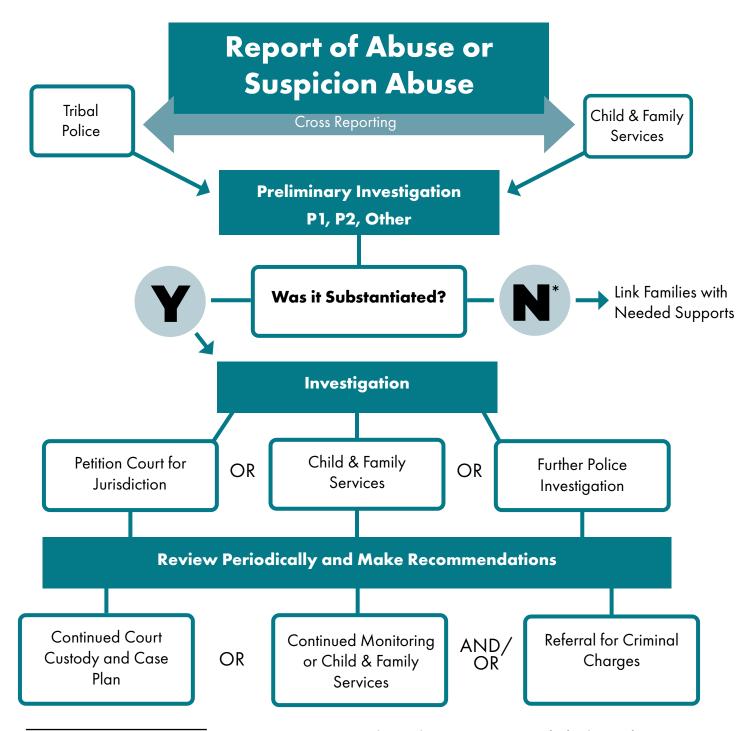
#### **Initial CAN Report and Priority Types and Steps Incident Report Priority One Priority Two** Safe Haven Report (P1) Report (P2) Is the child in a safe Is the child in a safe Is there serious Has the infant been environment at the environment at the time and immediate left at a safe haven? time of the report of the report where the danger involving the OR where the person person who potentially vulnerable child? who potentially caused harm **DOES** caused harm does **NOT** have access? not have access for 24 hours? Screen in for Screen in for Screen in for Contact Judge, investigation: investigation: investigation: emergency custody. Incident response Response required Emergency required within 3 response required within 5 calendar hours. within 24 hours. days. Is removal of the child necessary to protect them from immediate danger, injury, or harm using safety risk assessment tools? Follow guidelines for removal and Create a safety plan and provide followplacement. up. Communicate information to required agencies.

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### **DECISION TREE EXAMPLES: REPORTING,** INTAKE SCREENING, AND ASSESSMENT

Below is an example of a reporting, intake, screening and assessment process used by a tribal agency.

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Other= As appropriate, screen out and service linkage

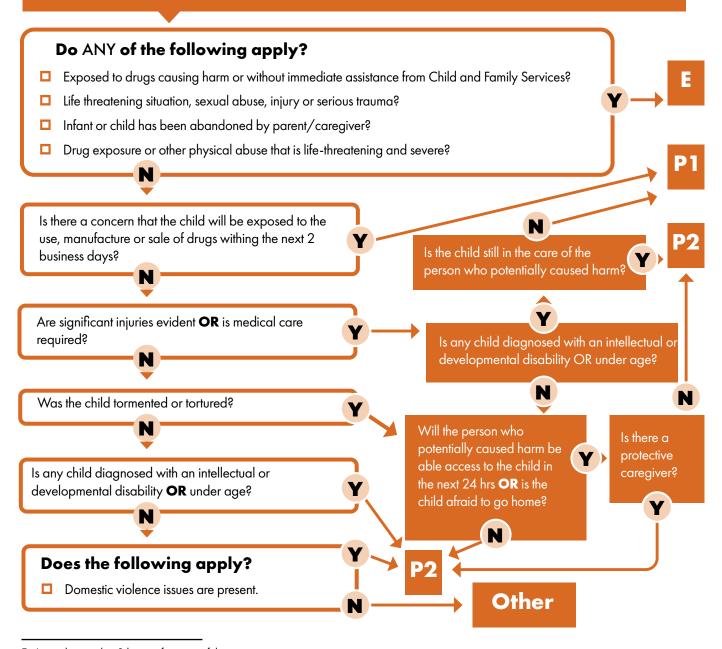
<sup>\*</sup>Remember to integrate supports for family even if cases are unsubstantiated, engage caregivers, offer prevention and support resources.

# **DECISION TREE EXAMPLE:** REPORTING, INTAKE SCREENING, AND ASSESSMENT

Complete this decision tree when there are multiple allegations. Assign a priority response level based on the highest level indicated. Circle "no" when information is not available or a condition does not exist.

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### **Drug Exposed Child and Physical Abuse**



E= Immediate within 3 hours of receipt of the report

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