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### **Update: Forbes Child Abuse Death**

(Paulding County, GA) On October 15, 2013 Detectives with the Paulding County Sheriff's Office Crimes Against Children Division (CAC) obtained the preliminary results of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's (GBI) autopsy findings for the 12 year old juvenile that was a victim of severe child abuse. The victim, a 12 year old boy who lived at 181 North Springs Drive Acworth, GA 30101, had severe visible signs of child abuse. According to CAC Detectives, the GBI has concluded that the cause of death is still under investigation. They further explained that the manner of death has been ruled a homicide.

As a result of the preliminary autopsy findings, CAC Detectives formally charged Shayaa Yusef Forbes (B/M, 32 YOA) with Murder (F) and an additional count of Cruelty to Children (F). Forbes is being held in the Paulding County Detention Center without bond. CAC Detectives continue their investigation into this case and are urging anyone that has information about the Forbes case to call them at (770) 445-6105.