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Training Mishap Claims One Soldier's Life

A 29-year-old Sergeant assigned to Evansville, Indiana, died in a training-related mishap 7 December 2019 in North Vernon, Indiana, at 1815 local. The Soldier was found unresponsive in a shower trailer. The on-site medic and another Soldier performed hands-only CPR as emergency personnel were dispatched to the scene. The Soldier was transported to a local hospital, where he was pronounced dead on arrival. The coroner's preliminary report determined the cause of death to be asphyxia due to carbon monoxide inhalation. This was the first training-related fatality in FY20.

PLRs are intended to be used as an engagement tool for leaders to discuss the hazards and trends impacting Soldier safety and readiness. The PLR contains only basic information but provides sufficient background to allow leaders an opportunity to communicate risk at the Soldier level. More detailed information on this and other Army mishaps can be found on the U.S. Army Combat Readiness Center website at <https://safety.army.mil/lessonslearned>.

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