

<b>Information for Release</b>		10/17/2011
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**Date of the notification to CPS:** 10/6/2011

**Fatality**

**The date the child suffered the fatality:** 10/5/2011

**Child's name:** Alexzander Cole

**Age at time of incident:** 2 Years

**Perpetrator(s):** Johnathan Cole

**Age:** 25

**City, town or general location of residence of the child and perpetrator(s):** Both the child and the alleged perpetrator resided in Gilbert at the time of the incident.

**A. Circumstances of the fatality or near fatality that indicate it was the result of abuse or neglect:**

On Oct. 5, 2011, Gilbert Police Department received a 911 call about a child, Alexzander Cole, not breathing. Medical personnel and police responded and Alexzander was determined to be deceased. Alexzander's father, Johnathan Cole was questioned and admitted to placing the child into a bear hug earlier on that same day.

**B. Whether CPS has received any reports or past cases of child abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child and the current alleged abusive or neglectful parent, guardian or custodian\* :**

CPS has no prior reports alleging abuse or neglect of Alexzander Cole by Johnathan Cole.

**1. Actions taken by CPS in response to the fatality or near fatality of the child including:**

CPS is conducting a joint investigation with the Gilbert Police Department.

**2. Actions taken regarding the child and/or other children in the home:**

There are no other children in the home.

**3. Whether the agency is or intends to provide direct services or service referrals to the family:**

The investigation is ongoing; whether direct services or referral to services will provided will determined when the investigation concludes.

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\*Posted information provides whether there have been reports or any current or past cases of child abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child who has died or suffered a near fatality and the current alleged abusive or neglectful parent, guardian or custodian pursuant to A.R.S. § 8-807(F)(2)(a)(iv).

Information, if any, regarding other family or household members and the child or the alleged perpetrator is not posted on the Web site. Calls to the Child Abuse Hotline that do not meet the criteria of a report because they do not contain allegations of abuse or neglect (or because there is no information provided to locate the child or family) are not posted.