

Information for Release		10/24/2011
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**Date of the notification to CPS:** 4/19/2011

**Near Fatality**

**The date the child suffered the near fatality:** 7/8/2010

**Child's name:** Anthony

**Age at time of incident:** 8 Months

**Perpetrator(s):** Alexander Gonzales

**Age:** 16

**City, town or general location of residence of the child and perpetrator(s):** At the time of the incident, the child resided in Phoenix, and the perpetrators' residence was unknown.

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

On or around July 8, 2010, Alexander Gonzales physically abused Anthony by shaking him. Anthony was transported to the hospital and was near death at the time of the incident. Anthony sustained skull fractures and hemorrhaging as a result of the abuse.

**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 not received any prior reports alleging abuse or neglect of Anthony by Alexander.

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

CPS jointly investigated the allegations with the Phoenix Police Department.

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

Anthony was discharged from the hospital into the care of his mother following an assessment of child safety.

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

Intensive in-home services are being provided to the child and family.

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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).