

Information for Release		1/15/2010
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Date of the notification to CPS: 8/23/2009

Fatality

The date the child suffered the fatality: 8/23/2009

Child's name: Asher Bashir

Age at time of incident: 4 Years

Perpetrator(s): The perpetrator is Nadia Bashir.

Age: 42

City, town or general location of residence of the child and perpetrator(s): The child and perpetrator are from Paradise Valley.

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

Asher was left unsupervised in the backyard of a home with an unfenced pool. He was found underwater, was taken to the hospital, but he did not survive.

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 received no prior reports alleging abuse or neglect of Asher by Nadia Bashir.

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

CPS completed a joint investigation with the Paradise Valley Police Department.

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

A safety plan was developed for an older child living in the home. After determining through the investigation that the child could remain in the home safely, the safety plan was ended.

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

Services were offered to the family. The family declined these services.

*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.