



Information for Release		7/31/2014
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Date of the notification to DCS: 8/3/2013

Fatality

Date of fatality or near fatality: 8/3/2013

Child's name: Brian Virgen

Age at time of incident: 3 years old

Alleged perpetrator(s) name and age:

Monica Virgen – age 26

City, town or general location of residence of the child and alleged perpetrator(s):

Phoenix, AZ

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

On August 3, 2013, Monica Virgen, mother to 3-year-old Brian Virgen, neglected to ensure that he was properly restrained in the vehicle she was driving. An accident occurred and Brian was ejected from the vehicle resulting in his death.

Whether DCS 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*:

The Department of Child Safety has received no prior reports of abuse or neglect of Brian Virgen by Monica Virgen.

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

The Department of Child Safety conducted a joint investigation with the Phoenix Police Department.

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

Following an assessment of child safety, the siblings remain in the care of their parents.

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

The family was provided with information on services available in the community.

*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).

*Posted information may be updated as new information becomes available.



Arizona Department of Child Safety

Janice K. Brewer
Governor

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Director

Information, if any, regarding the child and other family or household members, not specifically related to the fatality or near fatality, is not posted on the website. This also applies to information, if any, regarding the alleged perpetrator(s) and other family or household members.