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| Preliminary Report | Fatality | 01/18/18 |
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- 1. Victim:** Zane Endress – 6 months-male
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 07/28/17
- 3. Date of fatality:** 07/28/17
- 4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*:** 01/04/18
- 5. County and general location of the residence of the victim:** Maricopa County – Phoenix, AZ
- 6. Alleged perpetrator(s) name, age and city, town or general location:**

Norman Anderson – age 62 – Phoenix, AZ

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

On July 28, 2017, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding 6 month old Zane Endress, who was found deceased after being left in a vehicle for several hours during the day. On May 16, 2017, the parents had agreed for Zane to be placed with the maternal grandfather, Norman Anderson, under an out of home voluntary foster care agreement and the child was in his care when the fatality occurred. The allegation of neglect of the child by Norman Anderson was substantiated.

8. Whether DCS has received any reports or past cases, of child abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child or the current alleged perpetrator(s) **:

DCS received no prior reports involving Norman Anderson as a perpetrator.

DCS received one prior report involving Zane Endress as a victim. On May 4, 2017, a report was received alleging neglect of Zane by the child's parents. The allegations of neglect were unsubstantiated. The parents were involved in services when the fatality occurred.

9. Actions taken by DCS in response to the fatality:

A joint investigation is being conducted with the Phoenix Police Department

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

There were no other children in the home.

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

No services are being provided at this time.

*The determination that a fatality or near fatality is the result of abuse, abandonment or neglect is based one or more of the following criteria: (1) The perpetrator(s) arrest related to the incident, (2) Substantiated finding(s) linking the alleged perpetrator(s) action(s) to the fatality or near fatality and/or (3) Results of the Medical Examiner's report.

** Information released after July 3, 2015 provides reports, or any current or past cases, of abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child or the alleged perpetrator pursuant to A.R.S. § 8-807.01(A)(1)(e).



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