



Preliminary Report	Fatality	10/29/2018
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Amendments to the information originally posted on 10/02/2018 are displayed below in red.

- 1. Victim:** Arabella Haynes- 2 year-old-female
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 09/12/2018
- 3. Date of fatality:** 09/13/2018
- 4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*:** 09/25/2018
- 5. County and general location of the residence of the victim:** Pima County – Tucson, AZ
- 6. Alleged perpetrator(s) name, age and city, town or general location:**

Carlos Hernandez- age 30 – Tucson, AZ

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

On September 12, 2018, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding 2 year-old Arabella Haynes who had been transported to the hospital with severe head injuries. The injuries were determined to be non-accidental and resulted in **Arabella's** death on September 13, 2018. **Arabella** had been in the care of a caregiver, Carlos Hernandez, when the injuries occurred and he has since been arrested and charged with first degree murder and child abuse.

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 has received the following priors involving Arabella Haynes:

On September 28, 2017, a report was received alleging abuse to Arabella by her father. The allegation was unsubstantiated and the case was closed.

On **June 27, 2018** a report was received alleging neglect to Arabella by her mother and another adult in the home. The family was provided with a day care referral and the case was closed.

DCS has received no prior reports involving Carlos Hernandez as an alleged perpetrator.

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

A joint investigation is being conducted with the Tucson PD.

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

Following an assessment of child safety, the other child in the home was placed with relatives.

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

The Department is providing services to the family including services to support the other child involved.



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*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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