



Preliminary Report	Fatality	2/2/17
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1. **Victim:** Elijah Portillo – 5-month-old male
2. **Date of notification to DCS:** 1/30/17
3. **Date of fatality:** 1/30/17
4. **Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*:** 1/30/17
5. **County and general location of the residence of the victim:** Maricopa County – Buckeye, AZ
6. **Alleged perpetrator(s) name, age and city, town or general location:**

Andrea Portillo – age 29 – Buckeye, AZ

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

On January 30, 2017, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding 5-month-old Elijah Portillo who had been stabbed and taken to the hospital in critical condition. Elijah later died from his injuries. His mother, Andrea Portillo, has been 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 no prior reports involving Andrea or Elijah Portillo.

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

A joint investigation is being conducted with the Buckeye Police Department.

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

Following an assessment of child safety, the other children in the home were assessed as safe with the other parent.

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

Services will be determined pending the outcome of the investigation.

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