



Preliminary Report	Fatality	07/16/2019
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1. Victim: Emily Wade – 9-year-old female

2. Date of notification to DCS: 10/27/18

3. Date of fatality: 10/26/18

4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*: 5/30/19

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:

Tanya Wade – age 44 – Phoenix, AZ

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

On October 27, 2018, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding 9-year-old Emily Wade who was killed in a single-vehicle accident on October 26, 2018 when her mother, Tanya Wade, was driving under the influence. The Department substantiated the allegation of neglect as to the mother.

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 prior report involving Tanya and Emily Wade:

On September 6, 2017, a report was received alleging neglect to Emily Wade and her siblings by their mother, Tanya Wade, and abuse by their father. The investigation assessed the children as safe in the care of the parents. The allegations were unsubstantiated and the case was closed.

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

A joint investigation was conducted with the Department of Public Safety.

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 being safe in the care of their parents.

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

The Department provided the family with in-home services, but they declined to participate.

*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.



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** 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.