



Preliminary Report	Fatality	9/1/16
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- 1. Victim:** Gabriel Gonzales Jr. 7-month-old male
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 5/23/16
- 3. Date of fatality:** 5/20/16
- 4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*:** 8/12/16
- 5. County and general location of the residence of the victim:** Pinal County – Coolidge, AZ
- 6. Alleged perpetrator(s) name, age and city, town or general location:**

Gabriel Gonzales Sr. – age 27 – Coolidge, AZ

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

On May 23, 2016, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding 7-month-old Gabriel Gonzales Jr. Gabriel was found unresponsive after being placed on a pillow and co-sleeping with his father, Gabriel Gonzales Sr. The allegation of neglect to Gabriel by his father was substantiated by the Department.

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 reports involving Gabriel Gonzales:

On February 21, 2013, a report was received alleging neglect to Gabriel's siblings by their mother and Gabriel Gonzales Sr. The allegations were unsubstantiated. The family was provided with information on services available in the community and the case was closed.

On June 25, 2015, a report was received alleging neglect to Gabriel's siblings by their mother and Gabriel Gonzales Sr. The allegations were unsubstantiated. The family was provided with information on services available in the community and the case was closed.

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

A joint investigation was conducted with the Coolidge 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 being safe in the home with the parents.

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.



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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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