

**Gregory McKay**Director

Preliminary Report	Fatality	10/19/17
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1. Victim: Jason Gleason – 3-month-old male

2. Date of notification to DCS: 4/1/17

3. Date of fatality: 4/1/17

4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect\*: 9/26/17

5. County and general location of the residence of the victim: Pinal County - Casa Grande, AZ

6. Alleged perpetrator(s) name, age and city, town or general location:

Kevin Gleason – age 23 – Casa Grande, AZ

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

On April 1, 2017, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding 3-month-old Jason Gleason who was found unresponsive at home after being placed face down on a bed to sleep for approximately 1 and ½ hours. Jason had been in the care of his father, Kevin Gleason, who placed him in the unsafe sleeping position. The Department substantiated the allegation of neglect pertaining to the father.

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 reports involving Jason and/or Kevin Gleason:

On October 19, 2015, a report was received alleging neglect to Jason's siblings by their father, Kevin Gleason, and their mother. The allegations were unsubstantiated and the case remained open pending the required documentation when another report was received.

On December 17, 2016, a report was received alleging neglect to Jason's sibling by their father, Kevin Gleason. The allegation was unsubstantiated and the case remained open when a subsequent report was received.

On December 27, 2016, a report was received alleging neglect to Jason by his mother. The allegation was unsubstantiated and the case was closed with the family declining services offered by the Department.

On March 30, 2017, a report was received alleging neglect to Jason and his siblings by their father, Kevin Gleason, and their mother. An investigation was initiated and the case remained open when the fatality occurred. The allegations have since been substantiated.

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

A joint investigation was conducted with the Casa Grande 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 placed in foster care.

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## 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.

<sup>\*</sup>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.

<sup>\*\*</sup> 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.