



Preliminary Report	Fatality	<i>7/2/2021</i>
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- 1. Victim:** Kaiden Sipple – 1-year-old male
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 01/09/2019
- 3. Date of fatality:** 01/10/2019
- 4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*:** 05/19/21
- 5. County and general location of the residence of the victim:** Maricopa County – Tempe, AZ
- 6. Alleged perpetrator(s) name, age and city, town or general location:**

Khairree Patton – age 19 – Tempe, AZ

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

On January 9, 2019, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding 1-year-old male, Kaiden Sipple, who presented to the hospital unresponsive due to multiple injuries. The child passed away from his injuries on January 10, 2019. On May 19, 2021, Khairree Patton, mother’s significant other at the time, was indicted on one count of second degree murder and two counts of 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):**

There were no prior DCS reports involving Khairree Patton.

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

A joint investigation was conducted with the Tempe Police Department.

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

There were no other children in the home.

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

There were no services provided by the Department.

*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.