



Preliminary Report	Fatality	4/23/2021
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- 1. Victim:** My'kia Sheriff 2-month-old female
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 03/09/19
- 3. Date of fatality:** 03/09/19
- 4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*:** 12/24/20
- 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:**

Shakea Peinado AKA Conway – age 36 – Phoenix, AZ

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

On March 9, 2019, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding a 2-month-old female who was found unresponsive at her home. She was transported to the hospital where she was pronounced deceased. On December 24, 2020, the allegation of death due to child neglect by her mother, Shakea Peinado, was substantiated.

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 received the following prior reports involving Shakea Peinado:

On January 22, 2004, a report was received alleging neglect to a child by their mother, Shakea Peinado. The allegation was unsubstantiated and the case was closed on April 5, 2004.

On June 09, 2005, a report was received alleging neglect to children by their mother, Shakea Peinado. The allegations were unsubstantiated and the case was closed on October 12, 2005.

On July 26, 2011, a report was received alleging neglect to a child by their mother, Shakea Peinado. The investigation was ongoing when the next report was received. The allegation against the mother in this report was substantiated.

On August 17, 2011, a report was received alleging neglect to a child by their mother, Shakea Peinado. The children were taken into custody and placed in foster care. The family was provided services by the Department. A dependency petition was filed on September 19, 2011. The children were court ordered home to the mother on January 2, 2013 and the dependency matter was dismissed on April 23, 2013. The allegations of neglect were substantiated against the mother. The case was closed on May 20, 2013.

On February 27, 2014, a report was received alleging neglect to children by their mother, Shakea Peinado. A safety plan was implemented and an in-home dependency petition was filed on April 8, 2014, with the Maricopa County Superior Court. The neglect allegations were substantiated and the family was provided services. The dependency matter was still ongoing when the next report was received.



On September 22, 2015, a report was received alleging neglect to children by their mother, Shakea Peinado. A supplemental dependency petition was filed to add another child to the dependency matter. The family was participating in services through the ongoing dependency. On February 1, 2016, a supplemental dependency petition was filed and another child was added to the dependency matter. The court ordered transitioning the children home starting in May 2017. The dependency matter was dismissed on November 9, 2017 and all the children were in the home with the mother, Shakea Peinado. The allegations were substantiated against the mother and the case was closed on December 1, 2017.

On December 12, 2018, a report was received alleging neglect to My'kia Sheriff by her mother, Shakea Peinado. The family was offered in-home services. The case was open when the fatality report was received. The allegation of neglect was substantiated against Shakea Peinado.

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

A joint investigation was conducted with the Phoenix 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 their mother, Shakea Peinado.

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

The Department provided in-home services to the family. The case was closed on May 8, 2020.

*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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