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Preliminary Report Fatality 08/02/2024
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1. Victim: Krislynn Mcneill - 2-month-old female

2. Date of notification to DCS: 4/21/24

3. Date of fatality: 4/21/24

4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*: 7/31/24

5. County and general location of the residence of the victim: Maricopa County - Peoria, AZ

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

Unknown Perpetrator - Unknown age- Peoria, AZ

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

On April 21, 2024, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding 2-month-old Krislynn Mcneill who had been found not breathing and was later pronounced deceased. The Maricopa County Medical Examiner concluded that the cause of death was related to unsafe sleep and exposure to high levels of methamphetamines. The manner of death was undetermined. The alleged perpetrator is unknown.

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 Krislynn Mcneill.

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

A joint investigation was conducted with the Peoria 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.

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

The Department provided the family with information on services available in the community.

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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). Posted information may be updated as new information becomes available.