



Preliminary Report	Fatality	01/20/17
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1. Victim: Marlen Hernandez, 16 year old female

2. Date of notification to DCS: 01/10/17

3. Date of fatality: 07/25/16

4. Date of determination that the fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*: 07/26/16

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:

Emmanuel Barrera-Hilerio, age 23-Tempe, AZ

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

On January 10, 2017, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding the death of Marlen Hernandez. On July 25, 2016, Marlen was shot in the head by her brother-in-law, Emmanuel Barrera-Hilerio. On July 26, 2016, Emmanuel Barrera-Hilerio was arrested for the manslaughter of Marlen.

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 no prior reports involving Emmanuel Barrera-Hilerio and/or the fatality victim.

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

A joint investigation is being conducted with the Tempe 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 with the other parents.

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.

*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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