

<b>Preliminary Report</b>	<b>Near Fatality</b>	<b>06/19/2024</b>
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- 1. Near Fatality Victim:** 2-year-old male
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 4/18/2022
- 3. Date of near fatality:** 4/18/2022
- 4. Date of determination that the near fatality was the result of abuse or neglect\*:**  
6/12/2024
- 5. County and general location of the residence of the victim:** Yavapai County – Camp Verde, AZ

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

Amanda Harbeson – age 34 – Camp Verde, AZ

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

On April 18, 2022, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding a 2-year-old male who was taken to the hospital for a fentanyl overdose. Upon examination, the child was determined to be in serious condition needing multiple doses of Narcan. On April 25, 2022, the Department filed a dependency petition with the Yavapai County Superior Court. On June 24, 2022, the court found that the mother, Amanda Harbeson, neglected the child. On April 21, 2022, Amanda Harbeson was charged with one count of child abuse per domestic violence. On June 2, 2022, Amanda Harbeson was convicted of one count of child abuse per domestic violence.

**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 Amanda Harbeson and the near fatality victim:

On May 28, 2019, a report was received alleging neglect to the near fatality victim by the mother, Amanda Harbeson. The Department assessed the child as safe and the allegation was unsubstantiated. The family was provided with information on services available in the community and the case was closed on June 13, 2019.

On March 21, 2022, a report was received alleging neglect to the near fatality victim by the mother, Amanda Harbeson, and another adult. An investigation was initiated and was still in progress when the near fatality incident occurred.

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

A joint investigation was conducted with the Camp Verde Police Department.

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

Following an assessment of child safety, the near fatality victim was removed and placed with a relative. 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:**

The Department provided services to the family.

\*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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