



Preliminary Report	Near Fatality	<i>7/22/21</i>
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- 1. Near Fatality Victim:** 3-month-old male
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 06/01/2021
- 3. Date of near fatality:** 06/01/21
- 4. Date of determination that the near fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*:** 06/10/21
- 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:**

Nicole Lama– age 30 – Phoenix, AZ
William Tolliver-Bey – age 19 – Phoenix, AZ

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

On June 1, 2021, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding a 3-month-old male who was taken to the hospital in critical condition due to a subdural hematoma. The injury was determined to be non-accidental trauma. The near fatality victim was taken into DCS custody. On June 4, 2021, a dependency petition was filed with the Maricopa County Superior Court. On June 10, 2021, the court granted the dependency petition and found the child dependent as to his parents, Nicole Lama and William Tolliver-Bey.

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 the near fatality victim or the child’s parents, Nicole Lama or William Tolliver-Bey.

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

A joint investigation was conducted with the Phoenix Police Department.

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

There were no other children in the home. Upon release from the hospital, the child was placed in licensed foster care.

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

The Department is providing 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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