Arizona Department of Child Safety



Preliminary Report	Near Fatality	9/6/18
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- 1. Near Fatality Victim: 4-month-old female
- 2. Date of notification to DCS: 3/20/18
- 3. Date of near fatality: 3/20/18
- 4. Date of determination that the near fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*: 8/14/18
- 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:

Francisco Martinez-Zambrano – age 27 – Phoenix, AZ Paris Dryden – age 25 – Phoenix, AZ

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

On March 20, 2018, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding a 4-month-old female who was transported to the hospital in critical condition with serious head injuries. On August 14, 2018, the Maricopa County Juvenile Court found through a dependency proceeding that the father, Francisco Martinez-Zambrano, abused the child, and that the child's mother, Paris Dryden, failed to protect the child from abuse.

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 Paris Dryden, Francisco Martinez-Zambrano, and/or the near fatality victim.

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:

Following an assessment of child safety, a safety plan was implemented for the near fatality victim and her sibling.

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