



Preliminary Report	Near Fatality	09/06/2018
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- 1. Near Fatality Victim:** 3 month-old-male
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 06/18/18
- 3. Date of near fatality:** 06/18/18
- 4. Date of determination that the near fatality was the result of abuse or neglect\*:** 07/11/2018
- 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:**

Derrick McBride – age 19 – Phoenix, AZ  
Ariana Burdette – age 18 – Phoenix, AZ

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

On June 18 2018, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding a 3-month-old child who was taken to the hospital after being found unresponsive at home. Upon examination, the child was determined to be in critical condition with severe head trauma and other non-accidental injuries. On July 11, 2018, the Maricopa County Juvenile Court found through a dependency proceeding that the parents, Derrick McBride and Ariana Burdette, abused or failed to protect their child from harm.

**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 Derrick McBride, Ariana Burdette, and/or the near fatality victim.

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

A joint investigation is being conducted with the Phoenix Police Department.

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

Upon release from the hospital, the child was placed with relatives. The other children who were living in the same home at the time of the incident were assessed safe to their parents.

**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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