Arizona Department of Child Safety



Preliminary Report	Near Fatality	7/2/2019
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- 1. Near Fatality Victim: 3-year-old female
- 2. Date of notification to DCS: 9/15/18
- 3. Date of near fatality: 9/15/18
- 4. Date of determination that the near fatality was the result of abuse or neglect\*: 6/20/19
- 5. County and general location of the residence of the victim: Maricopa County Gilbert, AZ

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

Alan Petersen - age 42 - Gilbert, AZ

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

On September 15, 2018, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding a 3-year-old child involved in a near drowning incident. The victim arrived at the hospital where she was determined to be in critical condition. The child was in the care of her father, Alan Petersen, when she nearly drowned at his home. The Department substantiated the allegation of neglect of the child by her father on 6/20/19.

# 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 the following prior report involving the child and her father, Alan Petersen:

On February 12, 2018, a report was received alleging neglect to the child by her parents. The investigation assessed the child as safe with her parents. The allegation was substantiated and the case was closed.

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

A joint investigation was conducted with the Gilbert Police Department.

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

Following an assessment of child safety, the children in the home were assessed as safe.

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

The Department provided the family with in-home services.

\*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.