



Preliminary Report	Near Fatality	7/12/2019
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- 1. Near Fatality Victim:** 7-year-old female
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 07/12/2018
- 3. Date of near fatality:** 07/08/2018
- 4. Date of determination that the near fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*:** 03/01/2019
- 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:**

Sarah Taylor– age 32 – Phoenix, AZ
Zachary Taylor – age 33 – Phoenix, AZ

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

On July 12, 2018, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding a 7-year-old female who had been admitted to the hospital in critical condition due to extremely high blood sugar levels. The investigation determined that the child's medical needs had been neglected by her father, Zachary Taylor, and mother, Sarah Taylor. The Department filed a dependency petition with the Maricopa County Juvenile Court. It was determined through the dependency hearing that Zachary and Sarah Taylor had neglected their child.

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 reports involving Zachary Taylor, Sarah Taylor, and/or the near fatality victim:

On August 29, 2006, a report was received alleging neglect to another child by the mother, Sarah Taylor. The allegation was unsubstantiated. The family participated in in-home services and the case was closed.

On August 26, 2015, a report was received alleging neglect to the near fatality victim and another child in the home by the parents, Zachary and Sarah Taylor. The allegations were unsubstantiated. The family participated in in-home services and the case was closed.

On October 24, 2016, a report was received alleging neglect to another child by the father, Zachary Taylor. The allegation was unsubstantiated and the case was closed.

On March 6, 2017, a report was received alleging neglect to another child by the parents, Zachary and Sarah Taylor. The allegations were unsubstantiated and the case was closed.

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

The Department conducted an investigation.



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

Upon release from the hospital, the child was placed in licensed foster care. The other children in the home were assessed safe to the 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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