



Preliminary Report	Near Fatality	3/30/2020
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- 1. Near Fatality Victim:** 17 month old male
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 06/20/2019
- 3. Date of near fatality:** 06/20/2019
- 4. Date of determination that the near fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*:** 03/18/2020
- 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:**

Miguel Reza Lara – age 20 – Phoenix, AZ

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

On June 20, 2019, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding a 17 month old male presenting to the hospital in serious condition due to injuries consistent with inflicted trauma. The 17 month old male was in the care of his mother’s boyfriend, Miguel Reza Lara, when the injuries occurred. The Department substantiated the allegations against Miguel Reza Lara on March 18, 2020.

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 received no prior reports involving Miguel Reza Lara 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 assessed a safe with the other parent. Another child who resided in the home was assessed as safe with that child's other parent.

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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