



Preliminary Report	Near Fatality	5/18/21
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- 1. Near Fatality Victim:** 7-year-old female
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 9/28/20
- 3. Date of near fatality:** 9/27/20
- 4. Date of determination that the near fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*:** 5/10/21
- 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:**

Eva Sanchez – age 41 – Phoenix, AZ

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

On September 28, 2020, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding a 5-year-old male and a 7-year-old female that were taken to the hospital in critical condition after a motor vehicle accident. It was determined the mother, Eva Sanchez, did not properly restrain the children in the vehicle. The Department substantiated the allegations of neglect on May 10, 2021.

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):**

There were no prior DCS reports involving Eva Sanchez and/or the near fatality victims.

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:

Upon release from the hospital, the children were assessed as safe in the home. Another child who lived in the home was also assessed as safe.

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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