



**ARIZONA**  
DEPARTMENT  
*of* CHILD SAFETY

David Lujan, Director  
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<b>Preliminary Report</b>	<b>Near Fatality</b>	<b>06/02/2023</b>
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**1. Near Fatality Victim:** 2-month-old male

**2. Date of notification to DCS:** 11/5/21

**3. Date of near fatality:** 11/4/21

**4. Date of determination that the near fatality was the result of abuse or neglect\*:**  
5/12/23

**5. County and general location of the residence of the victim:** Pinal County – Casa Grande, AZ

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

Francisco Ramirez – age 25 – Casa Grande, AZ

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

On November 5, 2021, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding a 2-month-old male who was taken to the hospital with seizure activity and bleeding on his brain. Upon examination, the child was determined to be in critical condition. The father, Francisco Ramirez, admitted to shaking the baby. On May 12, 2023, the Department substantiated the allegation of abuse.

**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 Francisco Ramirez and/or the near fatality victim.

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

A joint investigation was conducted with the Casa Grande Police Department.

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

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

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

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The Department provided 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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