

<b>Preliminary Report</b>	<b>Near Fatality</b>	<b>07/09/2024</b>
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- 1. Near Fatality Victim:** 2-year-old female
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 06/04/24
- 3. Date of near fatality:** 06/04/24
- 4. Date of determination that the near fatality was the result of abuse or neglect\*:**  
07/03/24
- 5. County and general location of the residence of the victim:** Pima County – Tucson, AZ
- 6. Alleged perpetrator(s) name, age and city, town or general location:**

Christina Culp – age 32 – Tucson, AZ

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

On June 4, 2024, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding a 2-year-old female who was transported to the hospital after being found unresponsive at home. Upon examination, the child was determined to be in critical condition due to exposure to substances. On June 14, 2024, the child’s mother, Christina Culp, was indicted by a Pima County Grand Jury for child abuse due to placing the child in a situation where her health was endangered by exposing the child to fentanyl and/or methamphetamine.

**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 the following prior reports involving Christina Culp and/or the near fatality victim:

On December 12, 2018, a report was received alleging neglect to a child by their mother, Christina Culp. The allegation of neglect was unsubstantiated. The family participated in services offered by the Department and the case was closed on May 21, 2019.

On February 16, 2022, a report was received alleging neglect to the near fatality victim and a sibling by their mother, Christina Culp, and their father. The allegation was substantiated and resulted in the removal of the children from the home. The Department filed a dependency petition with the Pima County Superior Court and provided services to the family. The children were reunified with their parents and the dependency was dismissed on June 21, 2023.

On January 21, 2023, a report was received alleging neglect to the near fatality victim and a sibling by their mother, Christina Culp, and their father. The allegations were

unsubstantiated. The family was provided with information on services available in the community and the case was closed on February 2, 2024.

On February 20, 2024, a report was received alleging physical abuse to a child by their mother, Christina Culp. The allegations were unsubstantiated. The family was provided with information on services available in the community and the case was closed on April 24, 2024.

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

A joint investigation was conducted with the Pima County Sheriff's Office.

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

Following an assessment of child safety, the near fatality victim and a sibling were placed with relatives.

**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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