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Director

Preliminary Report	Near Fatality	06/30/17
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Amendments to the information originally posted on 12/23/16 are displayed below in red.

1. Near Fatality Victim: 4-month-old female

2. Date of notification to DCS: 12/16/16

3. Date of near fatality: 12/16/16

4. Date of determination that the near fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*: 12/17/16

5. County and general location of the residence of the victim: Mohave County, Lake Havasu City

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

Corey Salewsky, age 20, Lake Havasu City, AZ Cyrena Buell, age 23, Lake Havasu City, AZ

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

On December 16, 2016, the Department of Child Safety received a report alleging physical abuse of a 4-month-old near fatality victim. The victim arrived at hospital and upon examination it was determined she was in critical condition. On December 17, 2016, the child's father, Corey Salewsky, was arrested for child abuse. The child was in the care of the father when she sustained injuries consistent with non-accidental trauma. The mother failed to protect the child from abuse when she left the child with the father after voicing concerns about his ability to care for the child. Allegations of physical abuse were substantiated against the child's father and allegations of neglect were substantiated against the child's mother.

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 report involving Corey Salewsky, Cyrena Buell and the near fatality victim:

On December 7, 2016, the Department of Child Safety received a report alleging neglect of the child by the father, Corey Salewsky and neglect and physical abuse by the child's mother, Cyrena Buell. An investigation was initiated and still in progress when the near fatality incident occurred.

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

A joint investigation is being conducted with the Lake Havasu City Police Department.

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

There were no other children in the home.

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

Services will be determined pending the outcome of the investigation.



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*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). Posted information may be updated as new information becomes available.