



Preliminary Report	Near Fatality	08/03/2022
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- 1. Near Fatality Victim:** 1-year-old male
- 2. Date of notification to DCS:** 04/12/2022
- 3. Date of near fatality:** 04/12/2022
- 4. Date of determination that the near fatality was the result of abuse or neglect*:** 06/08/2022
- 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:**

Anna Chavez – age 23 – Phoenix, AZ
Marvin Gray – age 37 – Phoenix, AZ

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

On April 12, 2022, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding a 1-year-old male who was taken to the hospital after being found non-responsive. Upon evaluation, the child was determined to be in critical condition due to fentanyl ingestion. The Department filed a dependency petition with Maricopa County Superior Court on April 15, 2022. On June 8, 2022, the court found that the parents, Anna Chavez and Marvin Gray, are unable to provide effective parental care due to the unsafe home conditions and by reasons of neglect.

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 Anna Chavez, Marvin Gray, and the near fatality victim:

On October 31, 2020, a report was received alleging neglect to the child by his mother, Anna Chavez. The family was referred for in-home services, which they completed successfully. The allegations were unsubstantiated and the case was closed on April 15, 2021.

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:

Following an assessment of child safety, the near fatality victim and his siblings were removed and placed with a relative.

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 including services to support the other child involved.



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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).
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