



<b>Summary Report</b>	<b>Fatality</b>	<b>8/11/16</b>
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**1. Victim:** Adam Mada – 20-month-old– male

**2. Was the child residing in the child's home or in an out-of-home placement at the time of the fatality?**

The child was residing in an out-of-home placement with a family member when the following incident occurred:

On March 12, 2016, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding Adam Mada being found unresponsive. Paramedics responded to the home but were unable to revive Adam and he died. It was determined that Adam had been in the care of Erick Henry at the time the injuries occurred. The Pima County Office of the Medical Examiner determined the death to be a homicide. Erick Henry was arrested on June 7, 2016 on one count of first degree homicide and two counts of child abuse. Erick Henry has been indicted on charges of second degree murder, child abuse and child endangerment. It was also determined that Leticia E. Henderson (maternal aunt) did not seek medical care for Adam Mada and failed to protect him from abuse and neglect that led to his death. It was also determined that Maria Alvarez did not seek medical care for Adam Mada and failed to protect him from abuse and neglect that led to his death. In addition, Alejandra Campas (mother), Leticia Henderson (maternal grandmother), grandmother's husband, Ambrosio Pavon, Maria Alvarez (maternal aunt) and Leticia E. Henderson (maternal aunt) have been indicted on charges of second degree murder, child abuse and child endangerment in regards to Adam's death.

**3. If the victim in the Preliminary Report involved a child residing in the child's home, the following information will be provided:**

**a. Services being provided to the child, a member of the child's family or the person suspected of the abuse or neglect at the time of the incident and the date of the last contact before the incident between the entity providing services and the person receiving services:**

The Department of Child Safety was providing services to Adam Mada and his family at the time of the fatality report was received. Adam Mada had been removed from his parent's custody shortly after birth and placed in an unlicensed relative home where he remained at the time of the fatality report. Prior to the fatality report, the Department's last contact with the family was on February 3, 2016. There were no safety concerns noted at that time regarding Adam.

**b. Was the child, a member of the child's family or the person suspected of the abuse or neglect the subject of a report for investigation at the time of the incident?**

No.

**c. All involvement of the child's parents and of the person suspected of the abuse or neglect in a situation for which a report for investigation was made or in services provided pursuant to this chapter in the five years preceding the incident:**

There has been no prior involvement of Erick Henry, Maria Alvarez or Ambrosio Pavon with DCS.

Alejandra Campas and/or Adam's father were involved in the following:

On July 8, 2014, a report was received alleging neglect to Adam by his mother, Alejandra Campas, and his father. Following an assessment of child safety, Adam was removed from



his parents and placed with a relative. A dependency petition was filed with the Pima County Juvenile Court and the allegations were substantiated. The Department was providing services to the family when the fatality occurred.

Leticia E. Henderson was involved in the following:

On January 4, 2016, a report was received alleging neglect to a child by the child's mother, Leticia E. Henderson. The allegation was unsubstantiated. The family was provided with information on services available in the community and the case was closed.

**d. Any investigation pursuant to a report for investigation concerning the child, a member of the child's family or the person suspected of the abuse or neglect or services provided to the child or the child's family since the date of the incident involving the fatality:**

The investigation of the fatality report resulted in two additional reports of neglect being made to the Department. Adam's half-sibling and the other children in the homes were found to be unsafe. The children were removed from their homes and placed in foster care. The Department filed dependency petitions with the Pima County Juvenile Court and is providing services to the families.

**4. If the victim in the Preliminary Report involved a child residing in an out-of-home placement, the following information will be provided:**

**a. Licensing Agency:**

N/A

**b. Licensing history of the out-of-home placement, including the type of license held by the operator of the placement and the period for which the placement has been licensed:**

N/A

**c. Summary of all violations by the licensee:**

N/A

**d. Any other actions by the licensee or an employee of the licensee that constitute a substantial failure to protect and promote the health, safety and welfare of a child.**

N/A

**5. Actions taken by the Department in response to the case including any changes to policy or practice and/or recommendations for further changes in policies, practices, rules or statutes:**

The Department conducted a joint investigation with the Pima County Sheriff's Department. Erick Henry, Alejandra Campas, Leticia E. Henderson, Leticia Henderson, Maria Alvarez and Ambrosio Pavon have been charged with second degree murder, child abuse and child endangerment in regards to the death of Adam Mada.

The DCS investigation of the fatality report found Adam's half-sibling and other children in the homes to be unsafe. The children were removed from their homes and placed in foster care. The Department filed dependency petitions with the Pima County Juvenile Court and is providing services to the families.



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Additionally, in accordance with the DCS Strategic Plan for State Fiscal Year 2016 (FY16), multidisciplinary team (MDT) reviews of fatality and near fatality cases were implemented during the first quarter of FY16. The MDT reviews of fatality and near fatality cases, especially those with prior DCS involvement, are a key feature of the Strategic Plan and support the objective of increasing the accuracy of safety and risk assessments in investigations.

This case was reviewed by the MDT in order to identify any systemic factors, both internal and external to the Department that may have had an impact. The Department is using the aggregate data gathered through all of the MDT reviews to assess and guide future changes and/or recommendations to policies, practices, rules or statutes. Findings from these reviews will be compiled into an annual report to be shared on the DCS website. The target date for release of this report is September 1, 2016.

For more information regarding the Department of Child Safety's Strategic Plan for State Fiscal Year 2016, please visit the DCS website at: <https://dcs.az.gov/news/dcs-strategic-plan>.