



Summary Report	Fatality	11/27/19
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1. Victim: Lariyah Davison – 6-year-old female

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 her home when the following incident occurred:

On May 3, 2019, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding six-year-old Lariyah Davison who had been found unresponsive at the home and was transported to the hospital where she was pronounced deceased. Lariyah had been living with her grandfather, James Lane, and his significant other, Victoria Bizardie. The child had been left in their care by her mother, Kamaya Lane. An autopsy performed by the Coconino County Medical Examiner later determined the death was the result of fentanyl toxicity. On August 16, 2019, the Page Police Department arrested James Lane and Victoria Bizardie on multiple charges including first degree murder and child abuse. On August 27, 2019, the child's mother, Kamaya Lane, was also arrested on charges of first degree murder and child abuse.

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:

No services were being provided to the family by the Department of Child Safety at the time of the incident.

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:

The child's mother, Kamaya Lane, was involved in the following prior report:

On August 21, 2018, a report was received alleging neglect to Lariyah and two siblings by their mother, Kamaya Lane, and two other adults residing in the home. The investigation assessed the children as safe in the care of their mother. The allegations were unsubstantiated 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 criminal investigation of the fatality report resulted in the arrest of the child's grandfather, James Lane, his significant other, Victoria Bizardie, and the child's mother, Kamaya Lane, for first degree murder and child abuse. The victim's siblings were placed in a licensed foster home and the Department filed a dependency petition with the Coconino County Juvenile Court. Services are being provided.

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 Page Police Department. Office. The child's grandfather, James Lane, his significant other, Victoria Bizardie, and the child's mother, Kamaya Lane, were arrested on charges of first degree murder and child abuse. Following an assessment of child safety, the victim's siblings were placed in a licensed foster home. The Department filed a dependency petition with the Coconino County Juvenile Court and is providing services to support the family.

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.

Cases are 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 uses 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 are compiled into an annual report to be shared on the DCS website. The target date for release of the next report is December 1, 2019.

For more information regarding the Department of Child Safety's Strategic Plan for State Fiscal Year 2016, please visit the DCS website.