



<b>Summary Report</b>	<b>Fatality</b>	<b>08/17/2021</b>
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**1. Victim:** Sean Schulman – 15-year-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 his home when the following incident occurred:

On April 10, 2021, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding the fatality of 15-year-old Sean Schulman due to fentanyl toxicity. The other children in the home were taken into custody and placed with relatives. On April 14, 2021, a dependency petition was filed with the Maricopa County Superior Court. On June 14, 2021, the court found the mother, Jaime Barrett AKA Tucker, neglected the fatality victim and his siblings.

**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:**

There were no services 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:**

DCS received the following prior reports involving Jaime Barrett AKA Tucker:

On May 16, 2011, a report was received alleging neglect to a child by Jaime Barrett AKA Tucker. The allegation was unsubstantiated. The family was provided with information on services available in the community and the case was closed on August 12, 2011.

On October 14, 2017, a report was received alleging neglect to Sean and his siblings by their mother, Jaime Barrett AKA Tucker. The allegations were unsubstantiated. There was an allegation of neglect by another adult in the home towards Sean. The allegation was substantiated. The family was referred for in-home services which the family did not participate. The case was closed on December 14, 2017.

On March 3, 2018, a report was received alleging neglect to Sean and his siblings by their mother, Jaime Barrett AKA Tucker. The allegations were unsubstantiated. The family was



provided with information on services available in the community and the case was closed on April 12, 2018.

On September 15, 2018, a report was received alleging neglect to Sean and his siblings by their mother, Jaime Barrett AKA Tucker. The allegations were unsubstantiated. The family was provided with information on services available in the community and the case was closed on November 21, 2018.

On April 25, 2019, a report was received alleging neglect to Sean and his siblings by their mother, Jaime Barrett AKA Tucker. The allegations were unsubstantiated. The family was provided with information on services available in the community and the case was closed on June 28, 2019.

**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 the other children in the home being taken into custody and placed with relatives. The Department filed a dependency petition with the Maricopa County Superior Court and is providing services to the family. There have been no subsequent reports involving this family.

**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 Chandler Police Department. The other children in the home were taken into custody and placed with relatives. The Department filed a dependency petition with the Maricopa County Superior Court and services are being provided to the family. There have been no subsequent reports received involving this family.



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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.

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, 2021.

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