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| Summary Report | Fatality | 08/18/2023 |
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1. Victim: Lumi Garcia – 2-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 June 7, 2023, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding the fatality of 2-year-old, Lumi Garcia, as a result of a motor vehicle accident on August 14, 2022. It was reported the child was not properly restrained at the time of the accident and the mother, Andrea Crespin, was under the influence of alcohol. On July 19, 2023, the mother, Andrea Crespin, was charged with second degree murder, child abuse, and multiple counts of aggravated driving under the influence.

- 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 report involving Andrea Crespin and Lumi Garcia:

On July 12, 2020, a report was received alleging neglect and physical abuse to Lumi Garcia by Andrea Crespin and the child's father. The allegations of physical abuse were unsubstantiated and the allegations of neglect were substantiated. The investigation resulted in a dependency petition being filed in the Pima County

Superior Court. The family completed services successfully and child was transitioned home. The dependency was dismissed on April 22, 2021.

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 resulted in the child's mother, Andrea Crespin, being charged with second degree murder, child abuse, and multiple counts of aggravated driving under the influence. There were no other children in the home. No services were provided to the family. No subsequent reports of abuse or neglect were received regarding the 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 Arizona Department of Public Safety. The child's mother, Andrea Crespin, was charged with second degree murder, child abuse, and multiple counts of aggravated driving under the influence. There were no other children in the home. No services were provided to the family. No subsequent reports of abuse or neglect were received regarding the family.

The Department reminds all caregivers to always properly restrain children in vehicles.

For additional information please visit the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) Office of Injury Prevention: A Safe Ride home at: <a href="http://www.azdhs.gov/prevention/womens-childrens-health/injury-prevention/index.php#safe-ride-home">http://www.azdhs.gov/prevention/womens-childrens-health/injury-prevention/index.php#safe-ride-home</a>

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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 fatality and near fatality cases with prior DCS involvement, which are a key feature of the Strategic Plan and supports 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, 2023.