

Information for Release		11/5/2012
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Date of the notification to CPS: 5/14/2012

Near Fatality

The date the child suffered the near fatality: On or about 5/14/2012

Child's name: Eric

Age at time of incident: 7 Years

Perpetrator(s): Yesenia Rascon

Age: 37 years

City, town or general location of residence of the child and perpetrator(s): At the time of the incident, the child and perpetrator were living in Yuma, Arizona.

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

On or about May 14, 2012, Yesenia Rascon neglected her son Eric, when she failed to provide proper supervision, as she left the child unattended in the pool area at a local casino. The child was found at the bottom of the pool; he required cardiopulmonary resuscitation and hospitalization. The neglect by Yesenia Rascon placed Eric at substantial risk of harm for injury.

B. Whether CPS has received any reports or past cases of child abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child and the current alleged abusive or neglectful parent, guardian or custodian* :

CPS has received no prior reports alleging abuse or neglect of Eric by Yesenia Rascon.

1. Actions taken by CPS in response to the fatality or near fatality of the child including:

CPS investigated the allegations through a joint investigation with the Imperial County Sheriff's office.

2. Actions taken regarding the child and/or other children in the home:

Following an assessment of child safety, Eric was released from the hospital back into the home with the mother and siblings.

3. Whether the agency is or intends to provide direct services or service referrals to the family:

Services offered included: parenting classes, case management, counseling and community services.

*Posted information provides whether there have been reports or any current or past cases of child abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child who has died or suffered a near fatality and the current alleged abusive or neglectful parent, guardian or custodian pursuant to A.R.S. § 8-807(F)(2)(a)(iv).

Information, if any, regarding other family or household members and the child or the alleged perpetrator is not posted on the Web site. Calls to the Child Abuse Hotline that do not meet the criteria of a report because they do not contain allegations of abuse or neglect (or because there is no information provided to locate the child or family) are not posted.