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Date of the notification to DCS: 6/19/2014

Fatality

Date of fatality or near fatality: 6/22/2014

Child's name: Evelyn Hart

Age at time of incident: 3 months old

Alleged perpetrator(s) name and age:

Timothy Hart – age 33

City, town or general location of residence of the child and alleged perpetrator(s):

Phoenix, AZ

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

On June 19, 2014, a report was made after Timothy Hart, father to 3-month-old Evelyn Hart, brought the child to the hospital stating he had accidentally dropped her causing her to hit the side of her crib head first before falling to the carpeted floor. Upon examination, Evelyn was found to have bilateral skull fractures, subdural bleeding, severe brain swelling and other intracranial injuries. According to physicians, the injuries appeared consistent with non-accidental trauma. Evelyn died from her injuries on June 22, 2014. Timothy Hart was arrested and is charged with first degree murder and child abuse.

Whether DCS 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*:

The Department of Child Safety has received no prior reports involving Evelyn Hart and Timothy Hart.

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

The Department of Child Safety, in conjunction with the Office of Child Welfare Investigations, is conducting a joint investigation with the Phoenix Police Department.

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

There were no other children in the home.

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

Services will be determined following the completion of the investigation.

^{*}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).



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*Posted information may be updated as new information becomes available.

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Information, if any, regarding the child and other family or household members, not specifically related to the fatality or near fatality, is not posted on the website. This also applies to information, if any, regarding the alleged perpetrator(s) and other family or household members.