

Information for Release		1/20/2011
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Date of the notification to CPS: 7/30/2010

Near Fatality

The date the child suffered the near fatality: 7/30/2010

Child's name: Gabbriella

Age at time of incident: 6 Months

Perpetrator(s): Tanya Burke

Age: 34

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 Gilbert.

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

On July 30, 2010, Gabbriella was left in the car for 30-45 minutes after her caretaker returned home from running an errand. Gabbriella suffered from hyperthermia as a result and was hospitalized.

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 had received no prior reports alleging abuse or neglect of Gabbriella by Tanya Burke.

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

CPS jointly investigated the allegations with the Gilbert Police Department.

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

Initially, the other children in the home were left in the care of another adult who was willing to supervise the contact between the children and their caretaker. During the investigation, the safety of the other children was assessed and it was determined they could remain in the home safely.

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

The family was provided with information about available services they could obtain.

*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).