

<b>Information for Release</b>		11/13/2009
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**Date of the notification to CPS:** 6/24/2009

**Near Fatality**

**The date the child suffered the near fatality:** 6/24/2009

**Child's name:** Isabella

**Age at time of incident:** 23 Months

**Perpetrator(s):** Crystal Ginther

**Age:** 21

**City, town or general location of residence of the child and perpetrator(s):** The child and perpetrator are from Phoenix.

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

CPS received a report indicating Isabella had been hospitalized with abdominal injuries which appeared to have been non-accidental.

**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 Isabella by Crystal.

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

CPS completed a joint investigation with Phoenix Police Department.

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

Upon discharge from the hospital, Isabella was taken into CPS custody and placed in foster care. A dependency petition has been filed.

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

Services will be provided to the family during the dependency proceeding.

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\*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.