

Information for Release		1/10/2012
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Date of the notification to CPS: 9/25/2011

Near Fatality

The date the child suffered the near fatality: 9/25/2011

Child's name: Javontae

Age at time of incident: 2 Years

Perpetrator(s): Whaureen Woods

Age: 27

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 Mesa.

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

On or about Sept. 25, 2011, Whaureen Woods neglected Javontae when she failed to provide reasonable adult supervision to the child, which resulted in the child falling into a pool and nearly drowning.

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 not received any prior reports alleging abuse or neglect of Javontae by Whaureen.

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

CPS jointly investigated the allegations with the Mesa Police Department.

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

Following an assessment of child safety, Javontae was discharged from the hospital and returned home. The other children also remain in the home.

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

Intensive Family Preservation in-home services, including parenting skills, counseling and case management, and substance abuse classes, are being provided to the family.

*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.