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Date of the notification to DCS: 3/10/2015

Near Fatality

Date of fatality or near fatality: 3/10/2015

Child's name: Naomi

Age at time of incident: 9 months

Alleged perpetrator(s) name and age:

Jurnee Hornbeak – age 19

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

Parker, AZ

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

On March 10, 2015, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding 9-month-old Naomi. The baby had been taken to the hospital where she was found to have sustained extensive and intense physical abuse that was potentially lethal. The child's mother, Jurnee Hornbeak, has been charged with 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*:

DCS has received one prior report involving Jurnee Hornbeak and Naomi:

On July 31, 2014, a report was received regarding concerns about Jurnee Hornbeak's attitude and demeanor toward Naomi. She was observed in a public place to become frustrated with her and neglectful of her needs. The report was investigated and insufficient evidence was found to support the allegations. The report was unsubstantiated and the case was closed on August 19, 2014.

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

The Department of Child Safety is conducting a joint investigation with the Parker Police Department.

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

Following an assessment of child safety, Naomi was released from the hospital and placed in a licensed foster 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:

The Department of Child Safety is providing services to the family.



Arizona Department of Child Safety

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Governor

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Director

*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).

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

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.