Arizona Department of Child Safety



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1. Near Fatality Victim: 2-month-old female

2. Date of notification to DCS: 3/12/15

3. Date of near fatality: 3/11/15

4. Date of determination that the near fatality was the result of abuse or neglect: 4/12/15

5. County and general location of the residence of the victim: Coconino County – Flagstaff, AZ

6. Alleged perpetrator(s) name, age and city, town or general location:

Jesse Bowles - age 24 - Flagstaff, AZ

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

On March 12, 2015, the Department of Child Safety received a report regarding a 2-month-old child. The child had been taken to the hospital where she was found to have a traumatic brain injury. The child had been in the care of her father, Jesse Bowles, when the injury occurred and he has been charged with child abuse.

8. Whether DCS has received any reports or past cases, of child abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child or the current alleged perpetrator(s):

DCS has received no prior reports of abuse or neglect involving Jesse Bowles or the child.

9. Actions taken by DCS in response to the near fatality:

A joint investigation is being conducted with the Flagstaff Police Department.

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

Following an assessment of child safety, the child was released from the hospital to her mother. The siblings were also determined to be safe with the mother.

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

Services will be determined pending the outcome of the investigation.

*The determination that a fatality or near fatality is the result of abuse, abandonment or neglect is based one or more of the following criteria: (1) The perpetrator(s) arrest related to the incident, (2) Substantiated finding(s) linking the alleged perpetrator(s) action(s) to the fatality or near fatality and/or (3) Results of the Medical Examiner's report.

** Information released after July 3, 2015 provides reports, or any current or past cases, of abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child or the alleged perpetrator pursuant to A.R.S. § 8-807.01(A)(1)(e). Posted information may be updated as new information becomes available.