

Arizona Department of Child Safety

Gregory McKay Director

Summary Report	Near Fatality	8/20/15

1. Near Fatality Victim: 30-month-old male

2. Was the child residing in the child's home or in an out-of-home placement at the time of the near fatality?

The child was residing in his home at the time of the near fatality incident.

3. If the victim in the Preliminary Report involved a child residing in the child's home, the following information will be provided:

a. Services being provided to the child, a member of the child's family or the person suspected of the abuse or neglect at the time of the incident and the date of the last contact before the incident between the entity providing services and the person receiving services:

No services were being provided to the family by the Department of Child Safety.

b. Was the child, a member of the child's family or the person suspected of the abuse or neglect the subject of a report for investigation at the time of the incident?

No.

c. All involvement of the child's parents and of the person suspected of the abuse or neglect in a situation for which a report for investigation was made or in services provided pursuant to this chapter in the five years preceding the incident:

The child, his mother, and the mother's boyfriend, Garrett Stevens, had no prior involvement with the Department of Child Safety.

d. Any investigation pursuant to a report for investigation concerning the child, a member of the child's family or the person suspected of the abuse or neglect or services provided to the child or the child's family since the date of the incident involving the near fatality:

The investigation into the near fatality incident resulted in the arrest of the mother's boyfriend, Garrett Stevens. A dependency petition was filed in Maricopa County Juvenile Court pertaining to the near fatality victim and a sibling. Both children have been placed in licensed foster homes. The Maricopa County Juvenile Court has collaborated with the juvenile court in Kansas and a decision will be made as to whether or not the case will be transferred. The Department is providing services to the family.

No subsequent reports of abuse or neglect have been received. Services are being provided to the family.

4. If the victim in the Preliminary Report involved a child residing in an out-of-home placement, the following information will be provided:

a. Licensing Agency:



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b. Licensing history of the out-of-home placement, including the type of license held by the operator of the placement and the period for which the placement has been licensed:

N/A

c. Summary of all violations by the licensee:

N/A

d. Any other actions by the licensee or an employee of the licensee that constitute a substantial failure to protect and promote the health, safety and welfare of a child.

N/A

5. Actions taken by the department in response to the case including any changes to policy or practice and/or recommendations for further changes in policies, practices, rules or statutes:

A Fatality/Near Fatality Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) reviewed the case and determined that the investigation was conducted by the Department of Child Safety in accordance with policy and procedure. No changes to policy or practice were recommended as a result of the review.