



Division of Child Safety and Family Services

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Information for Release		5/29/2014
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Date of the notification to DCSFS: 1/29/2014

Near Fatality

Date of fatality or near fatality: 1/29/2014

Child's name: Robert

Age at time of incident: 5 years old

Alleged perpetrator(s) name and age:

Ashley Wyman – age 33

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

Arizona City, Arizona

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

On January 29, 2014, a report was received after Ashley Wyman, mother to 5-year-old Robert, left him unattended in a backyard with access to an in-ground pool. Ms. Wyman reportedly told Robert not to go in the pool before going inside the house. Upon returning to the backyard, Ms. Wyman found Robert submerged in the pool and unresponsive. Robert was air-lifted to a hospital where he was diagnosed with fluid on his lungs and in respiratory failure due to nearly drowning.

Whether DCSFS 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*:

DCSFS has received no prior reports of abuse or neglect involving Robert and Ms. Wyman.

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

DCSFS conducted a joint investigation with the Pinal County Sheriff's Office.

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

Following an assessment of child safety, Robert and a sibling remained in the home.

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

Intensive in-home services 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).

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



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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.