

Statement on the near fatality of a one-year-old boy

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On November 25, 2022, the Arizona Department of Child Safety received a report regarding the near fatality of a one-year-old child who was taken to the hospital in critical condition. Upon examination, the child tested positive for fentanyl. The child had been in the care of his parents, Slawannie Parteh and Michael Moore.

Following an assessment of child safety, the near fatality victim and his sibling were removed and placed in foster care.

The Department filed a dependency petition with the Maricopa County Superior Court and is providing services to the family.

DCS received the following prior report involving Ms. Parteh and Mr. Moore.

On July 19, 2021, the Department received a report alleging neglect and physical abuse to the children by Ms. Parteh and Mr. Moore. The report alleged the police were called due to domestic violence and that Mr. Moore pushed Ms. Parteh while she was holding the child. The DCS investigation did not find evidence to support the allegations. It was reported the Mr. Moore left the home and the parents were separated. Mr. Moore was not located by the Department. The allegations were unsubstantiated and the case was closed.