



## **Statement on the Death of eight-month-old Zane Deysie**

### **Issue Date: February 21, 2018**

On September 14, 2017, the Arizona Department of Child Safety received a report regarding an eight-month-old boy who was found unresponsive in his home.

After arriving at the hospital, medical staff determined the child, Zane Deysie, had suffered multiple injuries, including severe head trauma.

Zane died from his injuries on September 15, 2017.

The Williams Police Department arrested Zane's father, David Deysie, Jr., on September 26, 2017, and charged him with second degree murder in the death of Zane.

DCS completed its investigation and on January 26, 2018, substantiated the allegation of neglect against Zane's mother, Kayla Amaro, since Zane sustained the injuries while in her care.

Three other children were living in the home at the time of Zane's death.

DCS assessed Zane's two half-siblings as being safe with their other parent.

Zane's sibling was taken into DCS custody and placed with relatives.

A Tribal Court has since taken over jurisdiction in the dependency case and DCS is no longer involved.

Mr. Deysie had no prior history with the Department.

DCS did have prior history with Ms. Amaro.

On January 25, 2017, DCS received a report alleging neglect to Zane due to substance abuse by Ms. Amaro. DCS investigated and the allegations were unsubstantiated. The Department provided the family with information on services available in the community and the case was closed.

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On July 26, 2014, a report was received alleging neglect to Zane's two half-siblings due to substance abuse by Ms. Amaro. The allegations were unsubstantiated. DCS offered the family services, but they declined and the case was closed.

On April 2, 2010, a report was received alleging physical abuse to a half-sibling by Kayla Amaro. The allegation was unsubstantiated due to a lack of evidence and the case was closed.