

**TITLE 21. CHILD SAFETY**  
**CHAPTER 3. DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SAFETY - CENTRALIZED INTAKE**  
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The following allegations standing alone do not meet the criteria for a DCS Report unless the communication also includes an allegation of child abuse or neglect as defined in A.R.S. § 8-201 and otherwise meets the criteria as set forth in A.R.S. § 8-455:

1. No change
2. No change
3. No change
4. No change
5. No change
6. No change
  - a. No change
  - b. No change
7. No change
8. No change
9. No change
10. No change
  - a. No change
  - b. No change
11. ~~The child is an unharmed newborn infant, who is seventy-two hours of age or younger, and whose parent or agent of the parent voluntarily delivered the parent's newborn to a safe haven provider as provided in A.R.S. §§ 8-528 and 13-3623.01. The child is a safe haven newborn infant. A child is considered a safe haven newborn infant if the parent or agent of the parent voluntarily delivered the newborn to a safe haven provider per A.R.S. §§ 8-528 and 13-3623.01; and following a physical examination of the child at a hospital the child is determined to be unharmed, and 30 days of age or younger. The child shall not qualify as a safe haven newborn infant if:~~
  - a. The physical examination results in suspicion of abuse or neglect that meets criteria as a DCS Report; or
  - b. The child is believed to be an alleged victim in an open DCS Report.

12. The child is in the custody of the federal government, and the alleged abuse or neglect occurred in a foreign country;
13. The suspected perpetrator is deceased and there is no indication that the perpetrator's death occurred during an act of abuse or neglect against the child; or
14. The suspected perpetrator's parental rights are terminated as to the alleged child victim.