



ARIZONA DEPARTMENT of CHILD SAFETY

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Tips:

- Enter the applicable information in the parenthesis for each finding statement type.
- Ensure the date and age of the victim of the incident is correct.
- Be sure to fill out every space for entry into the DCS Central Registry.
- Check spelling of alleged perpetrator(s) and victim(s) names.
- Each statement should be written uniquely for each alleged perpetrator and each victim. Avoid copying and pasting the same statement for other perpetrators and victims into incorrect allegations.

Protective Services Review Team Finding Statement Templates

Allegation Types

Physical Abuse

On or about (date), (perpetrator's name) abused (child's name and age) when he/she (state what the perpetrator did) causing the child to sustain (describe the injury and location on the child's body).

Sexual Abuse

On or about (date or time frame), (perpetrator's name) abused (child's name and age) when he/she (state what the perpetrator did to the child listing the specific sexual act/contact.)

Emotional Abuse

On or about (date and/or time frame), (perpetrator's name) abused (child's name and age) by inflicting emotional damage as a result of (state what the perpetrator did), as evidenced by (state one or more of the following: depression, untoward aggression, severe anxiety, withdrawal), which was diagnosed by (state the name of the medical doctor or psychologist, with title), on (date of evaluation).

Neglect

On or about (date and/or time frame), (perpetrator's name) neglected (child's name and age) when he/she failed to provide (state one or more of the following: shelter, supervision, food, clothing or medical care) as he/she (state what the perpetrator did or failed to do/the incident that shows the inability or unwillingness to meet the child's needs), placing (child's name) at substantial risk of harm for (describe the harm the child faced as a result).

Substance Exposed Newborn (under 30 days of age)

On or prior to (the infants date of birth), (mother's name) neglected (child's name and D.O.B.), when she prenatally exposed the child to (state the substance), as assessed by a health professional.

Substance Exposed Infant (from birth up to one year of age)

Prior to (the infants date of birth), (perpetrator's name) neglected (child's name and age) when she prenatally exposed the child to (state substance) as (child's name) was diagnosed with Fetal Alcohol Effects by a health professional.

Finding Statement when a dependency petition has been filed

Pending Dependency Adjudication Finding

Propose to substantiate abuse, neglect or abuse/neglect because a dependency petition has been filed. (Name) County Superior Court, JD Docket Number.