Maricopa County (Arizona) Public Records Act Request

The following information was received in response to a public records request from Lives Cut Short to the Maricopa County Office of the Medical Examiner. Records were received on February 19, 2025. Please note that text was copied exactly as it was presented in what was shared with us even if it appears there was minor text extraction error (e.g., “admit. ”).

Case Number:	2023-00283
Decedent’s Name:	Gaelle Uwase
Victim Age:	6 years
Sex:	Female
Ethnicity:	Not Hispanic or Latino
Race:	Black or African American
Date of Death:	1/8/2023
Cause of Death:	Acute fentanyl toxicity::::Acute bronchopneumonia
Manner of Death:	Undetermined
Submanner:	Drugs - Illicit

Preliminary Circumstances: This 6-year-old African American female with no known medical history presented to the local hospital after ingesting an unknown substance. There was known drug use by adult occupants in the residence with illicit substances within the residence. Local FD and PD responded to the scene. The decedent was transported to the local hospital. A urine drug screen, fentanyl screen, and ETOH screen were negative. There were no concerns for foul play, trauma, or suicide. This death is an Admit.