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Injury to a Child Investigation

Abilene, Texas – Abilene Police Special Victim Detectives, with the help of Fort Worth Police, the Federal Bureau of Investigations, Stephenville Police, the Abilene Surveillance, Apprehension and Tactics Team and Major Investigations, arrested 37-year-old Danny Duarte of Abilene on a charge of First Degree Felony Injury to a Child.

On Sunday, June 25, Duarte called 9-1-1 to report his girlfriend's 5-year-old daughter, who he was watching at a home in the 2300 block of N. Mockingbird, was not breathing. Emergency personnel arrived and discovered a 5-year-old child unconscious and in distress. Emergency medical attention was provided and she was eventually transported to the hospital. Due to the severity of her injuries, she was flown to Cook Children's Hospital in the Metroplex where she succumbed to her injuries a few days later.

Duarte and the child were the only individuals in the home at the time of the incident. He was arrested in Ft. Worth and will be extradited back to Abilene. Further charges are pending the completion of the investigation.



Danny Duarte (37 yoa)

Respectfully,

Rick Tomlin
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