

Mom a suspect in child's fire death

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COLORADO SPRINGS - A Colorado mother was hospitalized under police watch Tuesday, suspected in a fire that killed one of her children and injured four others, officials said. A 1-year-old child died in the Monday night blaze. Two of the four injured children -- who all are under age 10 -- were flown to a Denver hospital in critical condition, and the other two were hospitalized in Colorado Springs, the Colorado Springs Gazette reported Tuesday. The case was being investigated as a homicide, officials said, and the mother, Marie Joseph, 25, was being monitored by police at Penrose Main Hospital, the newspaper reported. Police said they responded about 10 p.m. to a 911 call from an unknown person within the home. Joseph was reportedly a block from the fire when police found her and took her to the hospital for non-fatal wounds.

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