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Boy In Critical Condition After Near Drowning At Day-Care Center

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SHELTON, Conn. -- A Shelton toddler is in critical condition after a near drowning at a home day-care center, NBC 30 reported.

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Near Drowning At Day-Care Center

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The 18-month-old boy fell onto the cover of an inground pool that was full of water.

The boy was found floating in the water, and although he was found within minutes, he was still unconscious.

Low water temperature and his weight likely made it too difficult for him to climb out, NBC 30 reported.

Police believe there were three children in the woman's care at the time, and two other children were visiting with a guardian.

Police said the children were playing in the yard and suspect that one wandered off and managed to slip under a fence that appeared to made out of chicken wire.

"There was enough water in it that even an adult would have been in a little trouble if they had submerged their head in it," said Lt. Michael Madden with the Shelton Police Department.

The day-care center is located at 4 North Road in Shelton.

Police and state officials are investigating the incident.

So far no arrests have been made and police are treating this as an accident.

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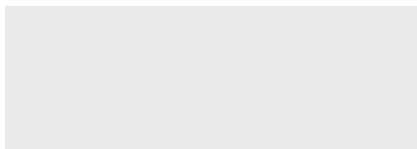
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