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Suspect Arrested on Open Count of Murder

Taos – Christopher Barney, 27, of Taos has been charged with a open count of murder.

State Police were called to a residence in Taos, NM to investigate a murder, upon the agents arrival and through their investigation they learned that earlier in the morning a domestic dispute between Christopher Barney and his girlfriend had occurred. Barney fled from the area and later arrived at their residence on Straight Arrow Rd., in Taos. Within minutes of Barneys arrival at the residence he had obtained a knife and subsequently stabbed and killed his one year old infant. Barney then turned the knife on himself, stabbing himself numerous times.

Christopher Barney was transported to Holy Cross Hospital in Taos, NM where he later had to be airlifted to University of New Mexico Hospital in Albuquerque due to the extent of the self inflicted stab wounds. As of late this afternoon Barney remained in critical condition at UNMH. Barney is currently on a \$900,000.00 cash only bond arrest warrant for a Open Count of Murder, in addition to the felony charges Barney has been placed on a probation and parole hold.

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