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Mom Pleads Guilty to Child Abuse in Drowning of 4-Year-Old Son

Kayla Erin Barnett (DOB 09/10/90) pleaded guilty today to child abuse resulting in serious bodily injury (F4) in the death of her 4-year-old son.

Izaiah Lopez, 4, drowned in a swimming pool at 4210 E. 100th Ave., Thornton, on June 9, 2013. The boy, who could not swim, was found face down in the lap pool and was not wearing a life vest.

Barnett, of Lafayette, was initially charged with negligent child abuse resulting in death (F3).

A sentencing hearing is set for 8:30 Dec. 17 in Division G of Adams County District Court.

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