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## Family dog attacks baby in Fremont

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A 9-month-old baby is recovering this morning from wounds he suffered Tuesday afternoon when he was bit in the face and neck by his family's dog in Fremont.

The infant underwent surgery late Tuesday afternoon at Children's Hospital Oakland and is expected to survive. The dog, an adult male Boxer named Tyson, has been quarantined at the Tri-City Animal Shelter in Fremont, Detective Bill Veteran said.

According to the family, the boy was playing in the living room at his family's home on Monmouth Place in the Irvington neighborhood when he was attacked by the dog, Veteran said.

The boy was taken by ambulance to the hospital where he is still recovering today. Meanwhile the dog was seized by Tri-City Animal Shelter employees, Veteran said.

It's the second time this month that the dog has been quarantined by authorities, the detective said.

On May 11, the dog apparently nipped at or actually bit one of his owners. At that time the dog also was quarantined at the shelter, but was released back to the family because it did not exhibit signs of being a vicious dog, Veteran said.

However, relatives told police Tuesday that they lied about the seriousness of the earlier incident to get

the dog back, the detective said.

Police said they are investigating Tuesday's matter to determine if the dog's owners will face criminal child endangerment charges, Veteran said.

Tuesday's attack is the second documented Fremont case in the last year in which someone was viciously attacked by a dog. In September a 32-year-old mother suffered wounds to both arms when she was mauled by a pitbull that was trying to attack her 4-month-old son.

That dog was euthanized about a week after the attack, and the dog's owners were charged with multiple felonies.

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