



# AURORA POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS RELEASE

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## WOMAN CLAIMING TO BE INFECTED WITH COVID-19 ARRESTED FOR SPITTING IN NURSE'S FACE

Aurora Police have arrested and charged a woman after she spat in a nurse's face at an Aurora hospital while claiming to be infected with COVID-19.

Just after midnight on Monday, officers were called to Mercy Hospital in the 1300 block of North Highland Avenue to assist hospital security after a woman, who claimed she had tested positive for COVID-19, had reportedly spit on a nurse and walked out of the hospital.

Officers responded to the hospital and learned that the 33-year-old woman had checked herself into the hospital for trouble breathing. Medical staff at the hospital was giving her medical treatment, but after some time, the woman decided she wanted to leave. The nurse told her she needed to sign discharge paperwork before leaving the hospital, but the woman refused, lunged towards the nurse, and spit in her face.

The case was reviewed with the Kane County State's Attorney's Office, who authorized the following felony charge against 33-year-old Cynthia Meyers of the 200 block of South Springbrook Trail in Oswego.

Aggravated Battery to a Nurse – Class 3 Felony

Charges are not proof of guilt. The defendant listed in this release is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial, at which it is the burden of the State to prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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