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HOSPITAL WORKER ARRESTED FOR ELDERLY EXPLOITATION AND GRAND THEFT

WHO: Wanda Bryant (Arrested)
DOB: 10-13-63
Largo, Fla.

74-year-old male (Victim)

77-year old female (Victim)

WHAT: CHARGES: Exploitation of the Elderly
Theft from Persons 65 Years or Older
Burglary

WHEN: March 3, 2010

WHERE: The suspect was arrested at her place of employment at Morton Plant Hospital in Clearwater, Fla.

The crime occurred at a private residence in Clearwater. The address will not be released to protect the identity of the victim under F.S. 415.107 (elderly exploitation victim information is exempt).

SUMMARY: The victim contacted the Clearwater Police Department to report a theft of money from a safe in his home. Detectives opened an investigation and identified Wanda Bryant as the suspect. Bryant was hired by the victim to care for his wife due to her medical condition had been acting as her caretaker for the past two years.

During the last 12 months, Bryant entered the victim's safe and stole over \$200,000 in cash. Bryant located the combination to the safe on a piece of paper and used it to enter the safe at least seven to ten times without permission.

