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ADDITIONAL CHARGES FILED AGAINST MAN ASSAULTING WOMEN WHILE POSING AS A NURSE AT A JENKINTOWN URGENT CARE

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (April 12, 2024) — Montgomery County District Attorney Kevin R. Steele and Abington Township Police Chief Patrick Molloy announce that 24 felony and misdemeanor criminal charges involving 12 additional victims have been filed against Ramon Garcia, 33, of Philadelphia. The 24 charges relate to assaulting and harassing women under the guise of performing medical exams or tests at an urgent care facility in Jenkintown.

Following Garcia's arrest, numerous women who had sought medical help at Carbon Health Urgent Care contacted police to share information concerning their encounters with the defendant. The victims shared information that Garcia, a medical assistant not authorized to perform any medical exams, had performed two physical exams of the vagina and surrounding areas; performed a hands-on breast exam; watched as patients changed into medical gowns and in a couple of instances, photographed parts of their bodies; placed victim's hands on his leg/groin area while drawing their blood; and secretly photographing or videotaping patients in exam rooms or the bathrooms of the medical facility. Garcia also gave his phone number to multiple patients and made inappropriate comments about them and their bodies.

"This defendant, who was not a nurse, took advantage of the trust that patients extend to true medical professionals by assaulting and violating them," said DA Steele. "I commend these victims—as well as the first two victims who came forward—for having the courage to go to police to share what happened to them."

The new charges against Garcia include Aggravated Indecent Assault, Invasion of Privacy, Indecent Assault without Consent, Harassment–Lewd/Lascivious Acts, Impersonating a License Holder (nurse), wiretap violations for the illegal use of his cellphone and Possessing an Instrument of Crime. Garcia was arraigned on the new charges on April 11, 2024, by Magisterial District Judge John D. Kessler, who set bail at \$150,000 cash, in addition to his previous bail of \$99,000. Garcia was unable to make bail and remains incarcerated at the Montgomery County Correctional Facility.

A preliminary hearing on all of the charges is scheduled for 9:30 a.m., May 3, 2024, before Magisterial District Judge Juanita A. Price. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant Chief of Trials Lauren Marvel.

If anyone thinks they might have been a victim of this defendant, please contact Abington Township Police at 267-536-1102.

Approved for release: Kevin R. Steele

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