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### **HAVERTOWN MAN ARRESTED FOR INSTITUTIONAL SEXUAL ASSAULT OF 16 YEAR OLD AT BRYN MAWR HOSPITAL**



**KASEEF FESTUS**

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (June 19, 2020) — Montgomery County District Attorney Kevin R. Steele announces the arrest of Kaseef Festus, 30, of Havertown, on charges of Institutional Sexual Assault of a Minor, Corruption of a Minor and Endangering the Welfare of a Child related to an incident that occurred at Bryn Mawr Hospital, where the defendant was employed at the time.

On May 6, 2020, a 16-year-old girl was taken to Bryn Mawr Hospital by her parents and treated in the emergency room. While there, the juvenile stayed in the hospital's emergency room until a proper placement facility was located for her. In the early morning hours of May 8, the defendant, a male aid assigned by the hospital to look after her, engaged in a sexual act with the girl. The victim disclosed the incident during an outpatient treatment program and later disclosed at Mission Kids, Montgomery County's Child Advocacy Center. Montgomery County Detectives opened an investigation, which led to charges against the defendant.

Festus was arraigned on June 16, 2020, before Magisterial District Judge Michael P. Quinn, who set bail at \$10,000 unsecured, and the defendant was released on his own recognizance. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for 9:30 a.m., July 2, 2020 before Magisterial District Judge Henry Schireson. Anyone that has any information regarding any inappropriate encounters with the defendant is encouraged to contact the Montgomery County Detective Bureau at 610-278-3368.

The case will be prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Gabriella T. Soreth, who is assigned to the Family Protection Unit.

Approved for release:

Kevin R. Steele

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