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NEWS RELEASE

August 29, 2012

VPD Report Number: 12-12606 / 12-12672

Date/Time Occurred: 8/22/12 – 8/28/12

Type of Incident: Sexual Assault

Location: 1100 S. Akers – Cypress Mental Health

Victim or Party:

Age:

1. Confidential
2. Confidential
- 3.

42
32

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Timothy Michael Pohl
- 2.
- 3.

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Yes

Details:

On August 27, 2012 at approximately 5:30 p.m., The Visalia Police Department was contacted by 42 year old confidential victim who reported that while she was a patient at Cypress Mental Health she was sexually assaulted by her assigned mental health worker, Timothy Pohl. The 42 year old victim waited until she was released from the facility to report the incident to police.

On August 28, 2012 at approximately 7:30 p.m., a 32 year old female, also a patient a Cypress Mental Health informed Cypress staff that she had been sexually assaulted by her assigned mental health worker Timothy Pohl.

August 28, 2012, investigators responded to Tulare to make contact Timothy Pohl at his residence. Pohl was questioned regarding the sexual assault allegations. Timothy Pohl was later transported and booked into the Tulare County Jail Facility under charges of assault with intent to commit a sexual assault, lewd act on a dependent person by caretaker, and additional charges related to sexual assault.

Pohl has been employed with Cypress Mental Health since April, 2012. The investigation continues seeking additional victims and information. Anyone with information regarding this case is encouraged to contact the Visalia Police Department Violent Crimes Unit.

Arresting / Investigating Officer(s): Detective C. Jennings

Supervisor: Sergeant R. Lentzner

