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Former CU Medical Center Resident Sentenced to Probation

A former resident physician at the University of Colorado Medical Center was sentenced to four years sex offender intensive supervision probation for unlawful sexual contact with a patient in recovery at the hospital in 2012. He also must register as a sex offender for 10 years.

On Oct. 26, 2012, while on duty as a resident at the medical center, Matthew Charles Uhlenkott (DOB 06/16/1981), fondled the penis of a male patient who was in the post anesthesia care unit following eye surgery and unable to see. The man was not one of Uhlenkott's patients.

The victim told the court that he never thought he would be a victim of a sexual assault. He said Uhlenkott violated his trust while he was vulnerable, scared and lying in a hospital bed after surgery, wondering if he would still have his sight after the surgery. The victim said he is blind and has been gripped by depression since the 2012 incident.

Uhlenkott pleaded guilty March 5 to one count of unlawful sexual contact with an at-risk adult without consent (F6). Charges of unlawful sexual contact with an at-risk adult (F4) and sexual contact with a helpless at-risk adult (F6) were dismissed as part of the plea agreement.

Under the terms of his probation, Uhlenkott must continue therapy and other requirements specific to sex offenders. He is undergoing disciplinary action by the Colorado Board of Medical Examiners and no longer is practicing medicine.

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