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## Custodian accused of assaulting elderly woman

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A 51-year-old Orion Township man is in the Oakland County Jail today, after a worker at a Rochester Hills nursing home says she saw the custodian sexually assaulting an 84-year-old patient Monday.

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office is also investigating allegations that the custodian may have also assaulted 69-year-old and 94-year-old women at MediLodge on Walton Boulevard, west of Livernois, in the past six months. None of the three victims voluntarily participated and may not have been aware of what was happening, according to the Sheriff's Office.

A MediLodge nurse's assistant called police at 3 p.m. Monday to report an assault of the 84-year-old resident. The assistant said that as she opened the door of the resident's room, she saw the fully clothed woman sitting in her wheelchair, with the man standing in front of her with his pants and underwear pulled down. The assistant followed the custodian as he ran to the bathroom.


He asked her not to report the incident as he was pulling up his pants, according to investigators. The assistant immediately reported the incident to a supervisor, who called the Sheriff's Office. The suspect is being held while the case is presented to the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office. The MediLodge staff is cooperating with the investigation, according to deputies.

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