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The Jackson County District Attorney's Office announced today that the Jackson County Grand Jury on June 12, 2024 indicted Dani Marie Schofield, DOB 4/8/1988, a former Asante nurse, on 44 counts of Assault in the Second Degree. These charges relate to the Medford Police Department's investigation into the theft and misuse of controlled substances that resulted in serious infections in patients at Asante from July 2022 to July 2023.

The Jackson County District Attorney's Office received and started its review of the results of the investigation in early April, which included interviews with dozens of witnesses and review of thousands of pages of records. The prosecution team for this case includes Chief Deputy District Attorney Patrick Green, Senior Deputy District Attorney Alyssa Claseman and Senior Deputy District Attorney Mike Cohen.

This prosecution team, on June 12, 2024, presented testimony and evidence from 21 witnesses to the Grand Jury, which convened for approximately 8 hours before deliberating and deciding on the charges in the indictment.

These charges represent the highest level of charge the evidence can support in this case. In a prosecution for any degree of homicide (e.g., murder, manslaughter, or criminal negligent homicide), the State is required to prove that the actions of the person charged were the cause of death of the victim. Investigators in this case consulted with multiple medical experts who were unanimous that they could not conclude that any of the patient deaths were directly attributed to the infections.

Due to the pending criminal proceedings in this case, the Jackson County District Attorney's Office will not be releasing further facts regarding this incident at this time.

Ms. Schofield is currently lodged in the Jackson County Jail and her next court date will be an arraignment scheduled for June 14, 2024 at 1:45pm.

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