

South Carolina Department of Corrections

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COLUMBIA, S.C. – The S.C. Law Enforcement Division is investigating a sexual assault that occurred earlier today at McCormick Correctional Institution. The SCDC Office of Investigations and Intelligence is assisting in the investigation.

The assault happened late this afternoon as the victim, an officer at the institution, was getting ready to leave work. An inmate who worked in the area grabbed her, forced her back into her office and sexually assaulted her twice.

The victim is being treated at a local hospital. The inmate suspected of the assault is being moved to a different institution tonight.

No more information will be released tonight. More information will be released when it becomes available.

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