



Former patients speak about doctor accused of sexual abuse

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LOUISVILLE, Ky. -

New information has surfaced in the case of a Louisville neurologist accused of sexually abusing patients.

Five women said they were victims, and now, Dr. Ghias Arar is facing an eight-count indictment.

The allegations against him began with Tara Batrice, who went public in February. She claimed the physician pleased himself during an office visit.

"I just want to get the message out there if there's anyone else out there that's been attacked by this doctor," said Batrice.

Since Batrice came forward charging Arar with abuse, four other women have given statements to sex crimes investigators.

"He unsnapped by bra, moved the stethoscope all around my breasts and no other doctor has done that," said Batrice.

Arar has a practice on Lake Point Circle in northeastern Jefferson County.

In an interview with police, one woman said when she came to his office, Arar removed her bra and tried to kiss her. She told a detective by that time, the neurologist had given her a shot, two pills and a muscle relaxer.

"He raises up, he's still trying to give me a hug and the whole time he's like over top of me," said Batrice.

Another woman told a similar story about the doctor's advances, saying she left his office in tears.

Each said no female nurse or assistant was in the room when they were examined.

After his arrest and before going to jail, Arar was taken to police headquarters.

He refused to answer police questions during that interview or voluntarily give a DNA sample.

He is out of jail awaiting trial.

In late March, the State Board of Medical Licensure ordered Arar not to see any female patients until this case is over.

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