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Media Release

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Re: Additional Child Abuse Charge Added

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The Department of Children and Families (DCF) and the Hernando County Sheriff's Office continue to work together to investigate the charges of child abuse lodged against Kimberly Losurdo.

As part of the investigation, investigators drug tested and sheltered two other children from the residence, ages 11 and 16.

To the dismay of investigators, the 11-year old also tested positive for cocaine and was subsequently taken to a local hospital for further testing and evaluation. Fortunately, this child was not exhibiting the same "extreme" signs and symptoms as the other child.

This child was re-interviewed and disclosed that they (gender withheld to protect victim) recently observed the adult "smoking something in short quick sessions." The child also stated that "a pill/candy looking substance was located on a dresser" and that "I ate it."

The child was NOT admitted to the hospital and is in the custody of DCF.

A second arrest affidavit has been completed on Kimberly Losurdo, charging her with another count of Child Abuse. Bond on the second count is also \$5,000.