

ICE Detention Center Allegedly Sterilizing Women Without Consent

A nurse by the name of Dawn Wooten has sounded the alarm against an ICE detention camp in Georgia that has allegedly performed hysterectomies without consent. The allegations were made earlier last week with claims that several women have had their uteruses removed without consent.

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In many cases, women who undergo treatment are told conflicting things. This was the case for one woman who was given multiple explanations as to what procedure she would be undergoing, ranging from having small amounts of tissues scraped away, to having her womb removed entirely. Women were not provided with proper translators, and the doctors did not speak Spanish.

Dr. Ada Rivera, the medical director of the ICE Health Services Corps, which oversees health care in the agency's detention system, said that the reports would be fully and independently investigated, but that the agency "vehemently disputes the implication that detainees are used for experimental medical procedures."

Inquiry Ordered Into Claims Immigrants Had Unwanted Gynecology Procedures

Detainees have come forward and pointed to Doctor Mahendra Amin, with claims that he treated patients roughly. Dr. Amin and his lawyer have both denied the allegations against them. The Department of Homeland Security is currently investigating the allegations. The Trump administration rolled back

detention center standards after taking office, despite the already substandard conditions that ICE centers are known for.