

January 11, 2024

Charges approved in relation to man Impersonating Dental Hygienist

2024-203



On January 4, 2024, the Saanich Police Major Crime Unit received information about suspicious activity involving a person acting in the role of a dental hygienist.

Through an extensive investigation, and with assistance from the British Columbia College of Oral Health Professionals (BCCOHP), it was determined that Emmanuel OSASERI was providing dental care without the proper training or licensing.

On January 10, 2024, Emmanuel OSASERI was charged with two criminal code offences:

- Personation with intent to gain advantage | Sec. 403 (1) (a)
- Fraud Under \$5000 | Sec. 380 (1) (b)

OSASERI was released with various conditions, *including not to attend any place that provides dental service, unless he has a personal appointment.*

“The Saanich Police Major Crime Unit moved swiftly on this case to prevent Mr. OSASERI from providing further dental treatment to the public. While working with the BCCOHP, our detectives took steps to intervene as soon as practicable and ultimately two criminal charges were approved by the BC Prosecution Service,” stated Sgt. Damian Kowalewich.

Sgt. Damian Kowalewich

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