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Scottsburg Woman Arrested for Trafficking

Branchville, Ind—A Scottsburg woman was arrested for trafficking with an offender on Sunday, July 21, 2019 after it was alleged she attempted to bring suspected Sublingual pills to her boyfriend during visitation at the Branchville Correctional Facility.

Jennifer Griffith, 38 of Scottsburg, and her minor child were visiting Offender Michael Spicer DOC#109160 at the Branchville Correctional Facility. Griffith is alleged to have concealed 11 Sublingual pills which she intended to pass to Offender Spicer during the visit.

Correctional Police Officers escorted Griffith to a facility office for further investigation. After the interview was completed the investigation determined there was sufficient probable cause to arrest Griffith and allege the following criminal violations:

- Trafficking with an inmate
- Dealing in a schedule V controlled substance
- Visiting or Maintaining a common nuisance
- Possession of a controlled substance

“I am proud of Branchville Correctional Facility Correctional Police Officers and all staff involved,” stated Warden Kathy Alvey. Warden Alvey continued “Our job is to protect the staff, community, and offender population and our Correctional Police Officers did this! The arrest sends a strong message to the offender population and visitors to the facility; Branchville will not tolerate trafficking in any form.”

Griffith was later booked at the Perry County Detention Center and her juvenile child was placed in the custody of family members.

About Sublingual:

* **Sublingual** is the pill form of the prescription only medication used in the treatment of opiate dependence. It contains the ingredients Buprenorphine Hydrochloride and Naloxone Hydrochloride. Buprenorphine/ naloxone belongs to the drug class narcotic analgesic combinations. Sublingual 8mg is classified as a schedule 3 controlled substance under the Controlled Substance Act.

About Trafficking With an Offender:

Trafficking, which is the illegal introduction of contraband into a prison facility can include weapons, cellphones, illegal drugs or prescription drugs, and many other items is a felony offense. The Indiana Department of Correction aggressively investigates any allegation of trafficking with offenders and seeks prosecution to the maximum extent allowed by law.

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All criminal defendants are to be presumed innocent until, and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.



Pictured: Jennifer Griffith