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(Neb.)-State Charges Against Former Hospital Administrator Dropped



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ALLIANCE, Neb. (AP) - A former Alliance hospital executive won't be tried by the state on child pornography charges.

The case has been dismissed because federal allegations were filed Feb. 21 against 65-year-old James "Jim" Parks. He's been indicted on charges of receipt and distribution of child pornography between June 9 and Aug. 8 last year.

Parks' state trial in Box Butte County District Court had been scheduled to begin April 28. He'd pleaded not guilty.

He is a former member of Alliance's Police/Citizen Advisory Board.

The Nebraska State Patrol says an investigation began after a report from Box Butte General Hospital officials raised questions about information found on Parks' work computer. Authorities say there was evidence that Parks and another man had exchanged videos and photos that depicted children sexually.

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