

# INVESTIGATION TIMELINE



MOUNT CARMEL

Mount Carmel is continuing to do everything we can to understand what happened regarding the deaths of patients under the care of Dr. William Husel.

## What we know about the investigation as of February 22, 2019.

*Based on what we've learned about this report, we should've begun a more expedited process to investigate and consider immediate removal of Dr. Husel from patient care at that time.*

*Three patients died between October 25, 2018 and November 21, 2018.*

**1st Contact with families began**

**2nd Contact with families began**

**Public announcement and apology**

*Mount Carmel has been investigating whether any of the affected patients received excessive doses of pain medication when there was still an opportunity for treatment to improve their immediate condition.*

- OCT 25 2018** Mount Carmel received a formal report related to Dr. Husel's care.
- NOV 19** Mount Carmel received another formal report related to Dr. Husel's care. Mount Carmel broadened its internal investigation.
- NOV 21** While investigating the Nov. 19 report, Mount Carmel received another report related to Dr. Husel's care. Mount Carmel removed Dr. Husel from providing patient care.
- DEC 5** Mount Carmel's findings as of this date showed that Dr. Husel ordered excessive and potentially fatal doses for at least 24 patients.
- DEC 5** Mount Carmel terminated Dr. Husel's employment. Mount Carmel notified the State Medical Board of Ohio. At our request, leaders from Mount Carmel met with Prosecutor Ron O'Brien to report our findings.
- DEC 7** Mount Carmel notified the Ohio Boards of Pharmacy & Nursing.
- DEC 11** Mount Carmel leaders began training staff on changes in procedures and on existing and updated policies.
- DEC 27** Mount Carmel contacted families of the patients affected by Dr. Husel's actions to notify and apologize to them.
- DEC 28** Based on what Mount Carmel learned, the investigation was expanded. Mount Carmel identified three (3) more patients for a total of at least 27.
- JAN 14 2019** Mount Carmel again reached out to families to share additional details and let them know information would be made public.
- JAN 14** A patient's family filed a lawsuit. Mount Carmel's CEO released a detailed public statement, including an apology that asked the community for forgiveness.
- JAN 16** Mount Carmel identified a 28th patient. Mount Carmel continued to expand its investigation to other intensive care patients treated by Dr. Husel.
- JAN 24** Mount Carmel identified six (6) patients who received excessive doses of pain medication that went beyond providing comfort but were likely not the cause of their deaths. Mount Carmel contacted the additional families of the patients affected by Dr. Husel's actions. Mount Carmel announced that there are now at least 34 patients affected by Dr. Husel's actions.
- FEB 22** Mount Carmel identified a 35th patient. Mount Carmel identified five (5) cases in which this possibility is a concern. Mount Carmel contacted the families involved.

**November to present**

*Mount Carmel and Trinity Health leaders are gathering facts, collecting data from patient medical records, and continuing to fully cooperate with all authorities.*

**December 5, 2018 to January 14, 2019**

*Mount Carmel respected the prosecutor's request to minimize public release of any information to avoid negatively impacting the ongoing investigation.*

*Mount Carmel originally scheduled this announcement for January 16, 2019.*