

Sydney nurse allegedly tried to smother 80-year-old patient with pillow

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File image - A male nurse allegedly pushed a pillow down on the face of his patient at a Sydney hospital Credit: Theo Heimann/Getty Images

A male nurse who allegedly tried to suffocate an elderly patient with a pillow at a southwest Sydney hospital has been charged with attempted murder.

Detectives were called to a hospital in Bankstown after a registered nurse on Thursday morning allegedly assaulted an 80-year-old man.

Police allege the 50-year-old nurse pushed a pillow down on the face of his patient and forcibly held him down before another staff member intervened.

Officers arrested the nurse on Thursday and charged him with attempt to strangle and suffocate with intent to murder, as well as assault occasioning actual bodily harm.

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He was refused bail and is due to appear before Bankstown Local Court on Friday.
