

Doctor supplying ketamine to Matthew Perry to return to practice

Description

A physician, Dr. Salvador Plasencia, who is accused of illicitly providing ketamine to the late Friends star Matthew Perry before his accidental overdose demise last year, is set to return to his medical practice this week. Plasencia's lawyer confirmed to NBC News that the doctor intends to resume working at his Calabasas urgent care clinic in Los Angeles County.

Plasencia recently pleaded not guilty to a charge of conspiring to distribute ketamine and was granted release on a \$100,000 bond under the condition that he displays a notice of his pending court case on his clinic door. Patients must also sign a form acknowledging the allegations against him and consent to treatment during each visit.

Prosecutors allege that Perry received ketamine injections from Plasencia approximately 20 times leading up to his tragic death from a combination of intoxication and drowning. It is claimed that Perry had been seeking alternative sources of ketamine due to restrictions at the clinic where he was undergoing treatment for depression.

Furthermore, text messages released by the court suggest that Plasencia obtained ketamine from another physician, Dr. Mark Chavez, who allegedly supplied fraudulent prescriptions for the drug. Plasencia and Chavez reportedly discussed pricing for Perry's treatments, with Chavez referring to the actor as a "moron" in their exchanges.

Overall, the case surrounding Perry's death highlights the dangers of addiction and the blurred lines between medical treatment and illegal drug distribution in Hollywood circles.

Vocabulary List:

1. **Illicit** /ɪ'lɪsɪt/ (adjective): Forbidden by law rules or custom.
2. **Conspiring** /kən'spaɪərɪŋ/ (verb): Making secret plans jointly to commit an unlawful or harmful act.
3. **Acknowledge** /ək'nɒlɪdʒ/ (verb): To recognize the existence or truth of something.
4. **Intoxication** /ɪn'tɒksɪ'keɪʃən/ (noun): The condition of being unable to think or speak clearly due to drinking alcohol or taking drugs.
5. **Accidental** /,æk.sɪ'den.təl/ (adjective): Happening by chance not planned.
6. **Fraudulent** /'frʊ:.dʒʊ.lənt/ (adjective): Obtained done by or involving deception especially criminal deception.

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. Who is accused of providing ketamine to Matthew Perry before his demise?

- Option: Dr. Salvador Plasencia
- Option: Dr. Mark Chavez
- Option: Dr. John Smith
- Option: Dr. Emily Johnson

2. Where is Dr. Salvador Plasencia's clinic located?

- Option: Calabasas San Francisco
- Option: Beverly Hills Los Angeles
- Option: Malibu Los Angeles
- Option: Calabasas Los Angeles

3. How many times did Matthew Perry allegedly receive ketamine injections from Dr. Plasencia?

- Option: 10 times
- Option: 20 times
- Option: 30 times
- Option: 40 times

4. Who referred to Matthew Perry as a "moron" in text messages related to the case?

- Option: Dr. Salvador Plasencia
- Option: Dr. Mark Chavez
- Option: Prosecutors
- Option: Patients

5. What is the main concern highlighted in the case surrounding Matthew Perry's death?

- Option: Legal implications of medical practice
- Option: Dangers of addiction and illegal drug distribution
- Option: Celebrity privacy issues
- Option: Insurance fraud in healthcare

6. What was the condition for Dr. Salvador Plasencia's release on bond?

- Option: Posting a notice on the clinic door
- Option: Maintaining clinic hours
- Option: Providing free treatment to all patients
- Option: Handing over all medical records

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Dr. Salvador Plasencia 2. Calabasas Los Angeles 3. 20 times 4. Dr. Mark Chavez
5. Dangers of addiction and illegal drug distribution 6. Posting a notice on the clinic door

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. Which type of society is typically characterized by dehumanization and oppressive control?

- Option: A) Utopian
- Option: B) Dystopian
- Option: C) Sublime
- Option: D) Harmony

2. What is the term for the memories beliefs and values passed down from previous generations?

- Option: A) Relay
- Option: B) Heritage
- Option: C) Newfangled
- Option: D) Abandonment

3. Which term describes the act of expressing sorrow or grief typically after a death?

- Option: A) Festivity
- Option: B) Celebration
- Option: C) Mourning
- Option: D) Joviality

4. What word best describes rules or laws that are strictly imposed and must be followed?

- Option: A) Suggested
- Option: B) Negotiated
- Option: C) Enforced
- Option: D) Voluntary

5. Which term refers to the powerful effect or influence something has on a person thing or situation?

- Option: A) Omission
- Option: B) Negligence
- Option: C) Impact
- Option: D) Disregard



6. Which term best describes actions that are forbidden by law rules or custom?

- Option: A) Legal
- Option: B) Permitted
- Option: C) Illicit
- Option: D) Authorized

7. What word describes working together with others to achieve a common goal?

- Option: A) Isolated
- Option: B) Collaborated
- Option: C) Soloed
- Option: D) Rejected

8. Which term refers to giving assistance encouragement or comfort to someone or something?

- Option: A) Reject
- Option: B) Oppose
- Option: C) Support
- Option: D) Disdain

9. Which term indicates engaging in a secret plan to commit an unlawful or harmful act?

- Option: A) Assisting
- Option: B) Conspiring
- Option: C) Informing
- Option: D) Disclosing

10. What is the term for television programs that are broadcast again after they have been shown once?

- Option: A) Fresh shows
- Option: B) New series
- Option: C) Reruns
- Option: D) Previews

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. Classical music is often described as _____ as it remains appealing and relevant regardless of the era.

12. Carrying a _____ workload can lead to burnout if not managed properly.

13. The company is facing challenges due to _____ profits over the past few quarters.

14. The new policy had a significant _____ on the employees resulting in increased

morale.

15. Having a strong network of friends can provide emotional _____ during tough times.

16. The legal _____ process can be emotionally draining for both parties involved.

17. The philanthropist aimed to leave a positive _____ for future generations through his charitable work.

18. The documentary aimed to highlight the environmental _____ of industrial pollution.

19. Creative thinkers often find ways to innovate even within tight _____.

20. The novel presented a _____ future where personal freedoms were severely limited.

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. The entire movie was built on the that technology could advance beyond human control.

22. The group engaged in activities under the cover of darkness.

23. In the rapidly changing market businesses must excel at complex regulations to succeed.

24. The whistleblower courageously the company's unethical practices.

25. The strict policies were to ensure compliance with safety standards.

26. The artist's talent was so exceptional that he became a figure in the music industry.

27. The new product launch generated a lot of due to its innovative features.

28. The company implemented measures to improve profitability during tough economic times.

29. The spies were to overthrow the government in a complex political plot.

30. The author the invaluable contributions of her editors in the book's foreword.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. B) Dystopian 2. B) Heritage 3. C) Mourning 4. C) Enforced 5. C) Impact 6. C) Illicit
7. B) Collaborated



8. C) Support 9. B) Conspiring 10. C) Reruns

Gap-Fill: 11. Timeless 12. Hefty 13. Declining 14. Impact 15. Support 16. Separation 17. Legacy 18. Impact
19. Constraints 20. Dystopian

Matching sentence: 1. Premise 2. Illicit 3. Navigating 4. Disclosed 5. Enforced 6. Legendary 7. Buzz 8. Cost-cutting 9. Conspiring 10. Acknowledged

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