



**Rick Staly, Sheriff**

## **FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **Woman Arrested for Child Neglect**

An ongoing investigation into a case of a child brought to the hospital on February 14 with a skull fracture, severe burns, and other signs of physical abuse has led to the arrest of Luciana Celestin. Celestin, 24, was arrested Friday morning on a warrant for neglect of a child causing great bodily harm.



Luciana Celestin, DOB 5/19/1993, in a Flagler County booking photo.

“This person knew that something was going on with regards to this child and did nothing to stop it or render aid,” Sheriff Rick Staly said. “A helpless child will spend the rest of his life with the scars from this abuse.”

Celestin is being held at the Flagler County Detention Facility on a \$10,000 bond. This is an active investigation and additional charges are pending.

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# **Man Arrested for Two-Counts Aggravated Child Abuse**

On February 14 around 7:45 p.m., deputies and detectives were alerted by the Department of Children and Families (DCF) of a child that was brought to Florida Hospital Flagler with a skull fracture, severe burns, and other signs indicative of physical abuse. The child's injuries were believed to possibly be life threatening and he was transported to Wolfson's Children's Hospital for further treatment.

DCF contacted the Flagler County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) and a criminal investigation was initiated.

After several interviews, and a thorough investigation, detectives determined probable cause existed to arrest Deviaun Toler, 26, for two counts of Aggravated Child Abuse. He was transported to the Flagler County Inmate Facility and is being held with no bond.



Deviaun Toler, DOB 11/25/1991, in a FCSO booking photo.

"This is a traumatic situation and, if this child survives, he will spend the rest of his life with scars from this abuse, both physical and emotional," Sheriff Rick Staly. "Some people should not be allowed to be a parent. I hope he spends the rest of his life in prison."

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