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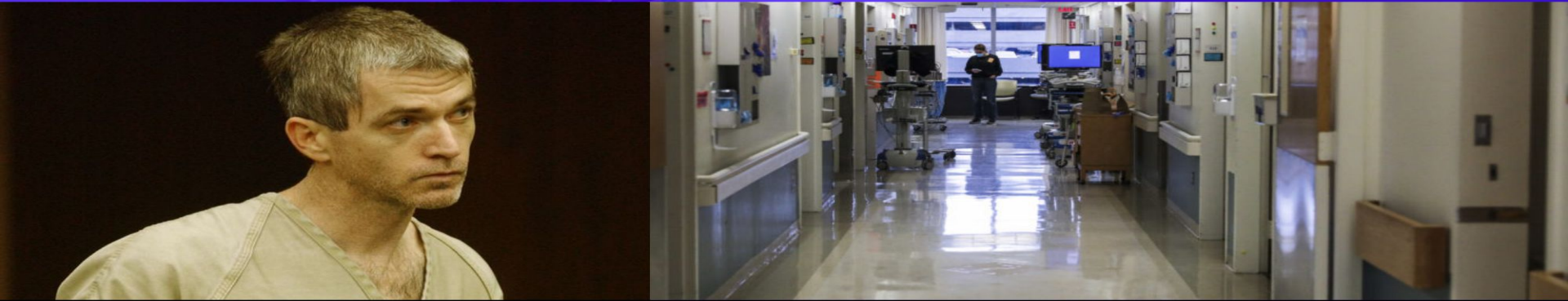
MABPRO offers our condolences to the families that have lost loved ones due to these horrible tragedies that have been taking place recently in our nation.

The purpose of this assessment is to provide information that will hopefully help people regain their confidence and sense of safety in public. There is no guaranteed fix, but we can, however, do our best to educate ourselves on what to do if we ever found ourselves in the midst of a crisis.



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On December 12, 2003, Charles Cullen, a registered nurse and serial killer, was arrested at a restaurant in New Jersey. He pleaded guilty to committing 29 murders during his 16 years of working as a nurse at 10 hospitals and nursing homes in New Jersey and Pennsylvania.



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When he was arrested in 2003, he told the investigator that he may have killed as many as 40 of his patients and some estimates put his total number of murders as high as 400.

Charles Cullen would kill his victims by injecting deadly doses of medication into IV fluid bags, primarily the heart disease medication digoxin, insulin, and lidocaine and a local anesthetic. The hospitals knew what he was doing but they didn't do anything because it would have destroyed their reputation. He also had drinking problems and odd behavior, according to his ex-wife, Taub, which led to behavioral symptoms.



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