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A Busy Nurse

(1) A court in Shiga Prefecture has sentenced a 42-year-old woman to death for multiple murders.

(2) The woman was accused of killing her patients to collect money from their life insurance.

(3) The woman worked at a hospice for terminally ill patients and befriended them as they were abandoned by their families.

(4) Her kind friendship helped persuade those patients to sign their insurance policies over to the nurse.

(5) The patients had passed away one after another, making the woman suddenly wealthy.

(6) Police investigators later found out that the woman had injected them with poison to speed up their deaths.

(7) The police think that the woman had succeeded in more murders than those that they have exposed.

(8) The woman will be executed soon.

語注

(1) prefecture 県 sentence 判決を下す multiple 多数の

(2) accuse 人 of 人を~の理由で訴える

(3) terminally ill 末期症状の befriend 世話をする abandon 見捨てる

(4) insurance policy 保険証券

(5) pass away 亡くなる one after another 次々に

(6) investigator 捜査官 inject 注射する

(7) expose 暴く

(8) execute 死刑にする