

Former Democrat CDC director Dr. Tom Frieden arrested on sexual pervert allegations

Frieden, who stepped down as head of the federal agency when Trump took office



Image: Thomas Frieden

Director of Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Dr. Tom Frieden speaks during a news conference in 2014.
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Former director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Dr. Tom Frieden has been arrested for inappropriately touching at least one woman, according to the New York City Police Department.

The alleged incident happened on Oct. 20, 2017, inside Frieden's Brooklyn residence, the NYPD said.

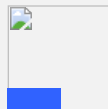
Frieden was charged with one count each of forcible touching, sex abuse and harassment, according to police. He was expected to make a court appearance later Friday.

His spokesperson did not immediately respond to a request for comment. The CDC said it had no information about the allegation.

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Frieden was director of the CDC from 2009 and until January 2017, stepping down when President Donald Trump took office. Prior to that, he had served as the New York City Health Commissioner from 2002 to 2009, where he led efforts to reduce smoking and eliminate artificial trans fats from restaurant menus.

As head of the CDC, Frieden championed advances that helped to end the Ebola epidemic. Since his resignation, he had been serving as president and CEO of Resolve to Save Lives, a \$225 million, 5-year initiative at [Vital Strategies](#), a non-profit global health organization.