

# Man charged with hacking network of hospital convicted

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A Massachusetts man has been convicted by a federal jury for attacking the computer network of a world-renowned hospital.

Prosecutors say 32-year-old Martin Gottesfeld was convicted Wednesday in U.S. District Court in Boston on two counts related to attempting to damage and damaging protected computers.

Gottesfeld has acknowledged he launched a computer network attack against Boston Children's Hospital and Wayside Youth & Family Support Network in 2014.

The attack on the Children's Hospital flooded 65,000 IP addresses with [junk data](#), and disrupted the facility's network for at least two weeks. Prosecutors say this cost the [hospital](#) about \$600,000.

He has previously said he did this to protest the treatment of a Connecticut teenager who was at the center of a custody fight between Massachusetts and her parents.

Gottesfeld will be sentenced in November.

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