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## **DEPEW MAN SENTENCED FOR PRESCRIPTION-PILL TRAFFICKING**

BUFFALO, N.Y.--U.S. Attorney William J. Hochul, Jr. announced today that Kevin Hince, 20, of Depew, N.Y., who was convicted of conspiring to import OxyContin tablets from Canada into the United States, was sentenced to 24 months in prison by Chief U.S. District Judge William M. Skretny.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael L. McCabe, who handled the case, Hince was arrested on October 12, 2011, following a long-term investigation into the illegal importation of prescription drugs from Canada into the United States. On that date, the defendant took delivery of 125 OxyContin tablets at a parking lot on Broadway in Depew. Those tablets were illegally imported into the United States over the Peace Bridge earlier in the day. Hince obtained illegally imported OxyContin tablets on multiple occasions previously which he then resold on the street.

The sentencing is the culmination of an investigation on the part of Special Agents of the Drug Enforcement Administration, under the direction of Special Agent in Charge Brian R. Crowell, New York Field Division.

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