

# Cops investigating death at Willowbrook

Detectives today are investigating the circumstances surrounding the death of a 13-year-old Willowbrook State School patient and an alleged assault upon another 10-year-old boy at the institution.

Dr. Edwin Morris, medical examiner, ordered an investigation into the death of Tyrone Coruyo, who died at 9:30 p.m. Sunday. An autopsy was performed on the body. The boy allegedly died because of extensive brain damage, possibly caused by a series of blows, police said.

Police, however, said the death did not seem "overtly suspicious," considering conditions in the school, but are investigating because of recent reports of assaults upon patients there. Detective William Morris of the homicide assault squad is in charge of the probe.

The charge of a 10-year-old boy being assaulted was made last night by Mrs. Geraldine Perry of 14 Roxbury St., Mariners Harbor, whose son Mark is a patient at Willowbrook.

Police said Mrs. Perry picked up her son at 2:30 p.m. yesterday to bring him home for Christmas, when she noticed the boy's body was covered with bruises. She reported it to police.

Recent investigations by detectives have resulted in the arrest of personnel employed at the school on assault charges.

Most of these cases are still pending, while other alleged incidents are being investigated by police and the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.