

BUFFALO: Police waiting for autopsy results

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Buffalo Police say it may now be weeks before they know the cause of death for Amanda Wienckowski.

The body of the 20-year-old Lewiston woman was discovered on Friday in a garbage tote in the alcove of a church at Clinton and Springs streets on the city's East Side. She had been reported missing on Dec. 7 after failing to return home from what investigators had called a paid sexual encounter at a Spring Street home across from the church.

An autopsy on her body has been completed by the Erie County Medical Examiner. They are now awaiting the results of toxicology tests before making a final determination on the cause of Wienckowski's death.

A person of interest, described as the "john" that Wienckowski had visited on Dec. 5, remains in Buffalo Police custody. He has not been charged in connection with either Wienckowski's death or disappearance.