

University of Miami Medical Campus Crime Summary Report October 2007

****Tip of the Month****

Counterfeit Prescription Drugs

Some Tips to Avoiding Counterfeit Prescription Drugs

- Be mindful of appearance. Closely examine the packaging and lot numbers of prescription drugs and be alert of any changes from one prescription to the next.
- Consult your pharmacist or physician if your prescription drug looks suspicious.
- Alert your pharmacist and physician immediately if your medication causes adverse side effects or if your condition does not improve.
- Use caution when purchasing drugs on the Internet. Do not purchase medications from unlicensed online distributors or those who sell medications without a prescription. Reputable online pharmacies will have a seal of approval called the Verified Internet Pharmacy Practice Site (VIPPS), provided by the Association of Boards of Pharmacy in the United States.
- Product promotions or cost reductions and other "special deals" may be associated with counterfeit product promotion.

Thefts

10/01 Lois Pope Life Center

Researcher reported that a lab device valued at \$12,000.00 was taken from a 5th floor lab. The device was sold to another university on EBay. The person responsible was identified and arrested. The lab device was returned. (Solved)

10/02 Rosenstiel Medical Science Building

Researcher reported that his cell phone was taken from his unsecured 8th floor office. Security investigator advised on 10/4 that the item was located. (Solved)

10/03 Sylvester Cancer Center Deerfield

Employee reported that someone removed a jump drive from a key ring in a 1st floor laboratory. Item valued at \$34.00.

10/04 UM Hospital and Clinics

Nurse reported that two Dell laptop computers were missing from a 2nd floor patient area. The computers were later located by Unicco employees in the bushes at the entrance to the Hope Lodge.

10/05 Fred Cowell Mall

Student reported that his red Magna bicycle was missing from the bike rack in front of the Calder Library.

10/10 Jackson Medical Towers

Employee from a 12th floor office reported that two deposits from April for \$659.00 were discovered missing.

10/12 Batchelor Children's Institute

Patient's mother reported that a wallet was taken out of her purse left unattended on a 2nd floor waiting room chair. Wallet contained \$350 cash, debit card and loose change.

10/14 Batchelor Children's Institute

Security observed two males hide their bicycles in the bushes next to the Gautier Building. They forced open the main entrance doors of the Batchelor Building and proceeded to the receiving area. Miami Police were called and arrested the males. These individual were responsible for a similar incident on 09/09. (Solved)

10/26 Mailman Center

Employee reported that candy and food items were missing from a desk and refrigerator in a 3rd floor office.

10/26 Rosenstiel Medical Science Building

Employee reported that a wireless microphone was missing after being left on a podium in a 3rd floor auditorium. Item valued at \$600.00.

10/29 Bascom Palmer Eye Institute

Employee reported that two rolling racks were taken from a 2nd floor room. Security Investigator located and returned the racks. (Solved)

10/30 Rosenstiel Medical Science Building

Employee reported that a pallet with several boxes was delivered about three weeks ago. A flat screen monitor was discovered missing when the box was opened.

10/30 UM Hospital and Clinics

Employee reported that her wallet was taken from an unsecured cabinet in a 3rd floor office. Wallet contained a driver license, credit card and bank ATM card.

10/30 McKnight Building

Researcher reported that a laptop computer was missing from an unsecured 6th floor office. Item valued at \$1,100.00.

Assault

10/08 836 Parking Lot

Security Officer was escorting an employee to the lot when a trespasser sleeping by the gate threatened the officer with a knife. The male was arrested by Miami Police. (Solved)

Burglary

None

Vehicle Incidents

10/01 Sieron Building

Employee's vehicle drove off paved area in parking lot and struck a hole causing minor damage.

10/01 Sylvester Cancer Center

Patient transport van struck the canopy in the valet area.

10/04 Bascom Palmer Eye Institute

The shuttle bus struck the overhang on the front ramp.

10/11 Hope Lodge

Valet parking employee attempting to exit the parking lot was struck by another vehicle attempting to back up in the drive way.

Trespassers

10/01 Park Plaza West

Security responded regarding a suspicious male behind the Au Bon Pain restaurant. The male was escorted off the property.

10/01 Elliott Building

Security called regarding a male sleeping next to the southeast door. The male was escorted off the property.

10/04 UM Hospital and Clinics

Security observed an individual soliciting money in the 1st floor lobby. The male was escorted out of the building.

10/04 Elliott Building

Security discovered a male sleeping in the hedges. The male was escorted away from the building.

10/05 Park Plaza East

Unauthorized male entered a ground floor office waiting room. Security dispatched and the male was gone when they arrived.

10/06 Mailman Center

Security discovered a male sleeping in the west stairwell. The male was escorted off the property.

10/08 Bascom Palmer Eye Institute

Security observed a male pushing a shopping cart containing large unknown items, from the 836 Parking Lot. The contents were checked for any UM property and the male was escorted away from the property.

10/10 Dominion Towers

Security discovered a suspicious male on the 2nd floor and escorted him out of the building. He later traveled to the MRI building and was again confronted by Security and advised to leave the property.

10/11 Rosenstiel Medical Science Building

Researcher on the 4th floor reported that a male was asking if he had any books for sale. Security was unable to locate the male.

10/17 Linda Ray Center and Clinical Research Institute

Security encountered a male who threatened the security officers with a metal pipe. The police responded but the male left the property.

10/17 Sylvester Cancer Center

Security discovered a male sleeping in the bushes on the west side of the building. The male was escorted off the property.

10/20 Calder Library

Male with no shoes or shirt entered the building and went to the rear of the first floor. Security escorted the male off the property.

10/21 Elliott Building

Security discovered a male sleeping near the building. The male was escorted off the property.

10/24 Fred Cowell Mall

Security observed a suspicious male drinking a beer near the Calder Library. Security observed the male until he left the area.

10/25 UM Hospital and Clinics

Security called regarding a male in a 2nd floor waiting area taking muffins placed out for the patients. The male was escorted out of the building.

10/29 Debbie School

Security found a male sleeping in the playground area. The male was escorted off the property.

10/29 Sickle Cell Center

Security called regarding a male sleeping on the stairs. The male was escorted away from the property.

10/30 14th Street Garage

Security advised of four individuals sleeping on the 11th floor. Several security officers searched the area and no one was located.

Escorts

University of Miami Security Officers provided escorts to any place on campus, including Metrorail. We encourage you to use this service when walking alone and particularly after hours. Security Officers will meet you at your work location and escort you safely to your vehicle, Metrorail, or any other building on campus. Call 243-6079 to request an escort. You may be able to reduce your waiting time if you call a few minutes before you are ready to leave.

During October, security officers provided 452 escorts with an average waiting time of 4:16 minutes.

General Information

FREE SECURITY SURVEYS or CRIME PREVENTION SEMINARS

Conducted on an individual or group basis. To make an appointment or to request information, call Lee Michaud, Crime Prevention & Training Manager at 243-5084.

CRIME TIP HOTLINE (243-6280)

Caller can remain anonymous. All information kept confidential. Ask for Craig Hopkins, Investigator at 243-6280.