

University of Miami Medical Campus Crime Summary Report June 2011

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

Tips to Protect Your Children from Identity Theft

Few people tend to think of protecting their children when it comes to identity theft.

Criminals have figured out that they can get away with using a child's ID for years, while a stolen adult identity has a far shorter shelf-life.

- **Watch for mail in your child's name:** If you begin receiving pre-approved credit cards or other unsolicited financial offers in your child's name, it is an indicator that your child may have an open credit file.
- **Discuss online safety:** Talk to your child about the dangers of sharing personal data online. Children surfing the web are particularly vulnerable to exposing personal information in chat rooms or on social networking sites. Make sure they understand the importance of keeping private data private.
- **Don't make your child susceptible to "friendly" identity theft:** Don't ever use your child's name to open utility or other credit accounts. Protect your child's personal information by keeping it locked up in your home where visitors cannot access it.

Thefts

06/01 **UM Hospital**

Employee reported that their wallet was missing from a purse left in the overhead storage in a 4th floor office. The wallet contained \$60.00 cash, credit cards and identification.

06/03 **UM Hospital**

Patient in a 6th floor room reported that a credit card and ATM card was missing from her purse.

06/06 15th Street east of NW 10th Avenue

Employee reported that a backpack was missing from his vehicle parked on the street. There was no forced entry to the vehicle. Back pack contained an Apple laptop computer, Samsung cell phone and two text books.

06/07 UM Hospital

Patient reported that \$700.00 cash was missing from his property when in was returned at discharge.

06/13 UM Hospital and Clinics

Employee reported that a back pack book bag was missing from the reception area on the 1st floor. Bag contained text books and school supplies valued at \$300.00.

06/13 Rosenstiel Medical Science Building

Physical Plant reported that an acetylene tank was missing from the basement carpenter shop. Security investigator determined that the tank was taken by another Physical Plant technician and it was returned. (Solved)

06/14 UM Hospital

Patient's relative reported that a Blackberry phone valued at \$200.00 was missing from the 6th floor room.

06/16 UM Hospital West Building

Employee reported that a Cannon digital camera valued at \$109.00 was missing from a 1st floor department.

06/20 UM Hospital and Clinics

Employee reported that \$90.00 cash was discovered missing from her purse left in an unlocked desk drawer in a 3rd floor clinic.

06/20 14th Street Garage

Physician reported that his bicycle locked to the 1st floor bike rack was missing. Item valued at \$300.00.

06/20 Jackson Medical Towers

Employee in a 10th floor office left her cell phone on her desk when she left for a few minutes and it was gone when she returned. Her purse was also discovered missing. Purse contained \$50.00 cash a digital camera, credit and debit cards along with miscellaneous items.

06/20 Park Plaza West

Employee reported that a Dell laptop computer was missing from a ground floor clinic. Item valued at \$450.00.

06/20 UM Hospital

Employee reported that a flash drive was missing from a drawer in a 1st floor office.

06/27 Rosenstiel Medical Science Building

Physical Plant reported that a red fiber glass 6 foot ladder was missing from a 2nd floor storage closet. Item valued at \$97.00. Security investigator found the item. (Solved)

06/28 Bascom Palmer Eye Institute

Supervisor reported that 3 to 4 high back office chairs were missing from pod work stations on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd floors. The chairs were valued at \$300.00 each. Security investigator was able to locate the chairs that had been moved to other areas. (Solved)

06/29 Fred Cowell Mall

Security observed a male taking a bicycle from the bike rack across from the Calder Library. The male was detained and later arrested by Miami Police. (Solved)

06/29 14th Street Garage

Employee reported that his bicycle was taken from the ground floor bike rack. Item valued at \$600.00.

Assault

06/19 UM Hospital

A male contract employee in a 4th floor laboratory struck a female co-worker in the mouth during a dispute. The female had minor injuries. Miami Police arrested the male who was also placed on suspension.

Burglary

06/02 Gautier Building

Employee reported a missing Apple MacBook computer from a 1st floor office. Investigation revealed a male entered the office through an unlocked window.

06/27 14th Street Surface Parking Lot

Contractor reported that 80 spools of copper wire were taken from a locked storage container on the northwest corner of the lot. The items were valued at \$800.00.

Vehicle Incidents

06/08 UM Hospital West Building Parking

Visitor struck a parked vehicle while pulling into a parking space causing minor damage.

06/08 UM Hospital Parking Garage

Employee reported damage to the driver's side door lock of their vehicle parked on the 7th level.

06/09 Kendall Medical Center

Physician reported that while he was parking he struck another vehicle causing minor damage.

06/14 UM Hospital West Building Parking

Visitor struck the entrance gate. The visitor reported passing out. The damage was minor and there were no injuries.

06/15 Diabetes Research Institute

Delivery vehicle backed into the entrance gate intercom box causing minor damage.

06/15 Bascom Palmer Eye Institute

Employee parked at the loading dock struck another vehicle while backing out causing minor damage,

06/16 UM Hospital Parking Garage

Visitor reported minor damage to the rear bumper of his vehicle parked on the 2nd level.

06/21 UM Hospital Parking Garage

Physician discovered damage to the driver's door of his vehicle parked on the 3rd level.

06/27 UM Hospital West Building Parking

Visitor reported that a palm tree branch fell and damaged the right side rear view mirror.

06/28 Dominion Garage

Security advised of a minor accident between a delivery truck and a maintenance vehicle. There were minor scratches on both vehicles.

Trespassers

06/04 Dominion Garage

Security advised of a suspicious male on the 1st floor of the building. The male was contacted and escorted off the property.

06/09 Diabetes Research Institute

Security advised of a suspicious male loitering near the building. The male was contacted and left the area.

06/15 15th Street Garage

Security observed a suspicious male walking down the ramp on the north side of the building. The male left the area and a check of the building was made by security.

06/17 Batchelor Children's Research Institute

Security observed a suspicious male washing up in the fountain. The male was contacted and escorted off the property.

06/17 **Calder Library**

Security advised of a suspicious male who entered the building and was harassing patrons. The male was contacted and escorted out of the building.

06/22 **South Campus**

Security observed a female pushing a shopping cart wandering the area. The female was escorted off the property.

06/23 **14th Street Garage**

Security observed several skateboarders enter the garage at the north entrance. The individual were contacted and escorted out of the building.

06/24 **Bascom Palmer Eye Institute**

Security discovered a suspicious male in a 2nd floor restroom. The male was escorted out of the building.

06/26 **Professional Arts Center**

Security advised of a suspicious male on the west side of the building. The male was contacted and escorted off the property.

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-SAFE (7233) 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 June, security officers provided 121 escorts with an average waiting time of 3:34 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.