

University of Miami Medical Campus Crime Summary Report April 2013

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

The 4 Survival Skills Every Kid Should Know

What to do if lost

A lost child is a scared child, and usually their first instinct is to begin searching for their family. Train your children to stop and sit as soon as they realize they are lost. Assure them that, no matter how scared they might be, you are searching for them at that very moment; but also that, if they keep moving around, it will take longer to find them. Consider equipping your children with an inexpensive cell phone and when venturing outdoors, a few survival items tucked in a backpack or their pockets. Items such as a whistle, a bright bandana and a bottle of water are the makings of a kids' survival kit that will go a long way to helping them be found more quickly.

How to answer the door when home alone

Usually the best strategy is to not answer the door! Yes, the person knocking could be a burglar scoping out the neighborhood. But once the door is opened, it's that much easier for an intruder to enter. And children are easily overpowered. Train your child to enforce home security: Keep doors and windows locked and blinds and curtains closed. Noise from a TV or radio is fine. Someone with questionable motives will think twice about entering a home if they hear noises inside, even if the house is closed up and no one answers the door.

What to do in a medical emergency

From a young age, kids can learn how to dial 911 and report an emergency, but this takes practice. Spend some time rehearsing phone calls, teaching your children to relay detailed information to an operator, follow his or her instructions, and then stay on the line until help arrives. If possible, children should also get the home ready for the arrival of EMTs by putting pets in closed areas and, if it's nighttime, turning on both indoor and outdoor lights. Summer is an ideal time for children to take first aid and CPR classes that are typically suitable for kids age 9 and up.

How to maintain situational awareness

When driving in the car, for instance, ask your kids to describe a building or vehicle you just passed. Teach them to pay attention to the route home by asking them to give you driving directions!

This one skill that can help your child avoid many dangerous situations. The concept is simply for children to be aware of the people and events around them. Parents can help their children become more observant and aware—not by scaring them, but by playing games to teach and practice this skill.

When driving in the car, for instance, ask your kids to describe a building or vehicle you just passed. Teach them to pay attention to the route home by asking them to give you driving directions! Tell them to close their eyes and describe what someone in the room is wearing. Encourage them to check out the license plates of passing cars: Which states are they from? What is the sum of the numbers on the license plate?

Thefts

04/01 Kendall Medical Center

Maintenance employee reported that two electric drills and an electric welder were missing from their office. Items valued at \$100.00.

04/03 UM Hospital

Patient in a 6th floor room reported that a white gold bracelet with 13 diamond studs was lost somewhere in the building. Item valued at \$1,300.00. On 04/15/13 the patient reported that the item was found in their home. (Solved)

04/05 UM Hospital

Patient in a 6th floor room reported that a prescription for a controlled medication was missing.

04/10 UM Hospital

Patient's son in a Pent House floor room reported that a pair of gold ear rings and a chain was left on the window for two days and were now missing.

04/11 UM Hospital

Patient in an 8th floor room reported that \$40.00 cash was missing from their pants pocket.

04/13 UM Hospital

Patient in a 7th floor room reported that a HTC Evo 4G phone left on a recliner chair was missing.

04/18 Sylvester Cancer Center

Employee reported that an iPhone turned in at a ground floor clinic was claimed by a patient who was not the owner.

04/19 UM Hospital

Patient in an 11th floor room reported that \$455.00 cash was missing from their pants pocket.

04/22 Bascom Palmer Eye Institute

Visitor left an iPhone to charge in a 6th floor waiting area. When they returned for the phone it was gone. Item valued at \$300.00.

04/23 UM Hospital

Patient in a 6th floor room reported that \$200.00 was missing from their pants pocket.

04/24 UM Hospital

Patient in an 8th floor room reported that \$100.00 cash was missing from the room.

04/25 UM Hospital

Patient in an 11th floor room reported that an Emerson 10 inch Tablet was missing from the room. Item valued at \$200.00.

04/25 Dominion Garage

Employee discovered the driver's side window broken out of their vehicle left parked on the 2nd floor. An iPod valued at \$200.00 was missing.

04/26 Sylvester Cancer Center Deerfield Beach

Patient reported that a gold name tag with a cross was discovered missing after their treatment. Item valued at \$1,300.00.

04/26 Batchelor Children's Research Institute

Physician reported that an iPad was missing from a 2nd floor work station. Item valued at \$800.00.

04/29 Bascom Palmer Eye Institute

Employee left their Samsung phone at a work station to charge. When they returned the phone was gone.

04/30 Rosenstiel Medical Science Building

Physical Plant reported that a Motorola radio was missing from the roof top paint room. Item valued at \$800.00.

Assault

04/02 Park Plaza West

Female employee involved in a dispute after a male visitor stuck her car on the 5th level was slapped by the male. The male was arrested by Miami-Dade Police.

04/03 UM Hospital

Patient in a 5th floor room reported that a male entered her room during the night and touch her leg. Risk Management is investigating.

04/05 UM Hospital and Clinics

Female employee reported being approached by a male patient who grabbed her by the neck and kissed on her neck. There were no injuries and the employee refused to report the incident to the police.

04/08 14th Street Garage

The mother of a female patient was struck by her daughter during an argument in front of the building. There were no injuries.

04/12 Batchelor Children's Research Institute

Two juvenile patients leaving the building became involved in an argument over text messages. One of the juveniles struck the other one causing minor injuries.

Burglary

None

Vehicle Incidents

04/02 15th Street Garage

Employee travelling on the 4th floor was struck by another employee backing out of a space. There was minor damage and no injuries.

04/03 UM Hospital and Clinics

Visitor reported damage to the front bumper of their vehicle left with the valet.

04/04 Sylvester Cancer Center

Valet reported that a vehicle driven by a visitor struck the rear of a vehicle driven by valet staff. There was minor damage and no injuries.

04/04 UM Hospital

Contractor reported finding the right side mirror broken on their company truck parked near the loading dock.

04/05 Kendall Medical Center

Visitor walking from the building to the parking lot was struck by a vehicle while backing. Visitor transported to the hospital with minor injuries.

04/08 UM Hospital

Visitor reported finding a dent on the left rear of their vehicle left parked near the Sports Medicine clinic.

04/09 Bascom Palmer Eye Institute

Transportation van backed into a visitor's vehicle on the front entrance ramp. There were minor damage and no injuries.

04/11 Northwest 14th Street and 11th Avenue

Employee driving west was rear ended by another vehicle. There was minor damage and no injuries.

04/11 Northwest 14th Terrace and 10th Avenue

An employee travelling on 10th Avenue rear ended another vehicle. There was minor damage and no injuries.

04/12 15th Street Garage

Employee attempting to back away from the entrance stuck a vehicle causing minor damage.

04/14 UM Hospital Parking Garage

Employee reported that they discovered damage to the front fender of their vehicle left parked on the 4th level.

04/17 UM Hospital and Clinics

Visitor reported finding damage to the rear left side of their vehicle left with the valet.

04/16 UM Hospital Parking Garage

Visitor reported finding damage to their vehicle left parked on the 7th floor.

04/19 Sylvester Cancer Center

A patient returned to the facility and reported that there was damage to the driver's door of their vehicle that was left with the valet. A review of the video revealed that the damage did not occur while the vehicle was parked.

04/25 Bascom Palmer Eye Institute

A visitor leaving the valet ramp, lost control striking a wall and another vehicle. There was minor damage and no injuries.

Trespassers

04/02 Northwest 15th Street and 12th Avenue

Security advised of a suspicious male. Security responded and the male fled the area.

04/02 Calder Library

Security advised of a male causing a disturbance on the 1st floor. The male was contacted and detained for Miami Police. The male was taken into custody by police.

04/11 Rosenstiel Medical Science Building

Security responded to a report of a male causing a disturbance at the entrance. The male was contacted and escorted away from the building.

04/15 Dominion Garage

Security advised of a female causing a disturbance near the Subway restaurant. The female left the area.

04/17 Mailman Center for Child Development

Employee reported being harassed by a male while walking on the north side of the building from the Metrorail Station.

04/19 Edelman Parking Lot

Security alerted to a female going through the trash containers. The female was contacted and left the area.

04/19 Rosenstiel Medical Science Building

Security observed a male taking a blanket off a gold cart parked near the north side delivery doors. The male was contacted and escorted away from the building.

04/22 Dominion Garage

Employee reported observing a suspicious male on the 1st level. The male was contacted. Miami Police responded and took custody of the individual.

04/23 Dominion Towers

Security alerted to a suspicious male causing a disturbance bear the day care. The male was gone when security arrived.

04/23 Life Science Park

Employee reported a suspicious loiter around the parking lot. Security responded and the individual was gone.

04/29 Mental Health Center

Employee reported that a male was attempting to open their car door on the east side of the building. Security contacted the male. Miami Police responded and allowed the male to leave after speaking with him.

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 April, security officers provided 174 escorts with an average waiting time of 4:04 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.