Fentanyl Investigation/Incident

On 09/14/2019, CSUMB Police Officers responded to a medical emergency in which a CSUMB student was suspected to be having an overdose. Officers administered two doses of naloxone to the student, reversing the side effects of the overdose and the student was transported to a local hospital. The student stated they took one Percocet pill. Based on the overdose and recent information received from local agencies it is believed the Percocet pill was counterfeit and contained fentanyl. Paramedics stated that had it not been for the quick response from UPD officers and the application of naloxone, the student may have died.

In recent weeks, local law enforcement agencies have seized a large number of counterfeit 30-miligram Percocet pills that contain fentanyl – not oxycodone hydrochloride – as their sole active ingredient. The counterfeit pills appear to the pharmaceutically manufactured version thus are not differentiable from the legitimate pills. The pills are circular in shape, light blue to light green in color and have an “M” inside of a square stamped on one side and a “30” stamped on the other. It should be noted that they may differ in their appearance. Nationally, there has been an uptick in overdoses since August of 2019.

If you are in possession of Percocet pills that were obtained from anywhere other than a pharmacy, please contact the CSUMB Police Department at 831-655-0268. You may also contact the Campus Health Center at 831-582-3965 to turn pills in anonymously.

The safety of our campus community is our primary concern. We want to ensure the counterfeit pills are turned in to the proper authorities to prevent any further incidents from occurring.

Safety Tips:

- Do not take medication that is not prescribed to you
- Obtain your prescription medication from a pharmacy
- If someone you know has a change in their breathing or state of consciousness after consuming a controlled substance please call 911.

Report suspicious persons to the University Police Department as soon as is safe to do so.

Emergency: 911; Non-Emergency: 831-655-0268