



City of Edmonds Media Release

Edmonds Police Department ~ 250 5th Avenue North

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EDMONDS PHARMACIST FOUND UNDER THE INFLUENCE, ARRESTED.

Customers encouraged to double check prescription accuracy

(Edmonds - WA)

The Edmonds Police Department is encouraging customers of Edmonds Pharmacy at 7631 212th Street SW to double check their prescriptions one of their pharmacists was found under the influence Wednesday evening. Edmonds Pharmacy has been made aware of the incident and has been advised to contact their customers directly. If there is any concern that customers received the wrong substance they should contact the pharmacy immediately. At this point, Edmonds Police are not aware of any prescriptions that were filled in error.

Officers responded to a welfare check at the business around 7pm after a customer called 911 in concern for the pharmacist's welfare. Officers and EMS crew from Fire District 1 contacted the pharmacist outside the pharmacy at his vehicle. Subsequent investigation developed probable cause to arrest the 47-year old male for a felony drug possession. He was booked into the Snohomish County jail.

Detective Sergeant Mike Richardson said, "The case is being looked at and is under further investigation." Edmonds PD has reached out to the State Department of Health investigations division and consulted with them on the matter. The Department of Health will be following with the information from the police investigation.

No further information at this time. ###