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Recent String of Pharmacy Burglaries Across Indiana

Indianapolis, IN – The Indiana Professional Licensing Agency (IPLA) and the Indiana Board of Pharmacy have been made aware and are closely monitoring a recent string of pharmacy burglaries across Indiana, primarily targeting independent pharmacy locations. The perpetrators have specialized tools to break and enter through windows. They are stealing Promethazine-Codeine, C-II, and stimulant medications. IPLA and the Indiana Board of Pharmacy strongly encourage pharmacies to take the following actions to better protect their inventories:

- **Set your pharmacy's alarm each night upon closing.**
- **Check security cameras to ensure that they are operational and are continuously monitoring your inventory.**
- **If your safe is less than 750 pounds (lbs.), it must be mounted or secured to something of substantial construction, in accordance with the Drug Enforcement Agency's (DEA) requirements.**

All pharmacy burglaries and attempted burglaries should be reported immediately to local law enforcement and the IPLA's Compliance Division at placompliance@pla.in.gov. Any questions, especially any questions concerning state and federal requirements for properly safeguarding controlled substances, may be directed to the IPLA's Compliance Division at placompliance@pla.in.gov.

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