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Student accused of UHS theft

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Once that bottle was almost empty, he decided to do a Google search of the numbers "44 291" engraved on the pills because they did not match the "b 972" imprinted on his Adderall. The results said the pills were a Walgreens brand of Ibuprofen called "Wal-profen."

He then went to UHS to ask about the pills. The staff at UHS found the pill counts - records indicating how many pills are given out to each person - to be accurate, so he said that the pharmacy told him there was nothing they could do.

This weekend he received a call from UHS telling him of the alleged pill theft, he said.

The issue was resolved without the student running out of Adderall, or taking any of the Ibuprofen of was given on Sept. 10, he said.

He said that under different circumstances, however, it could have been worse.

"If I was diabetic or something this could have been very dangerous," he said.

Another student called the alleged theft selfish.

"He wasn't considering other people's health, he was only thinking about himself," said senior Shazia Akhtar, a UMass student and biology and psychology major.

Students with questions about their prescriptions can call 413-577-5041, or bring the medication or its empty container to the Health Center's Walk-in Care department at 150 Infirmary Way between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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