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### Physician Accused of Using Patients' Names to Acquire Prescriptions

Psychiatrist Magnús Skúlason from the treatment clinic Sogn has been suspended after being accused of using his patients' names to prescribing drugs. The scheme was brought to light when a patient of Skúlason went to a drugstore for allergy medicine and found out there were amphetamine-related drugs prescribed in his name.

Skúlason lost his license to prescribe last year but got his colleagues to use their names on the prescriptions. *Fréttabladid* reports.

The director of public health in Iceland, Sigurdur Gudmundsson, said that Skúlason will be suspended permanently, but it is unclear what actions will be taken towards the doctors who signed prescriptions for Skúlason.

"The doctors had no idea what was going on, but that doesn't change that fact that doctors are responsible for their own prescriptions" Gudmundsson said.

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Prime Minister Geir H. Haarde said yesterday that Iceland might as well adopt the US dollar instead of the euro—if joining a monetary union became absolutely necessary—since Icelandic businesses trade with US companies to a great extent. [more](#)

#### June 26 | **Guided Tour to Prove Importance of Old Reykjavík**



Urban planner Sigmundur Davíð Gunnlaugsson will lead a free guided walk around the old town in Reykjavík tonight, and with the aid of photographs from Reykjavík Museum of Photography, show participants the cultural value of the oldest part of the city. [more](#)

#### June 26 | **Icelandic Waterfalls Flow in New York Tonight**

A series of waterfalls—an artwork by Icelandic artist Ólafur Elíasson—will be turned on in the East River in New York tonight. Mayor of New York Michael Bloomberg will attend the opening ceremony along with other political and artistic leaders. [more](#)