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Warning: Scammers Impersonating Board Personnel

The Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners (Board) is warning its licensees of widespread fraud in which scammers are impersonating Board personnel or law enforcement in an attempt to extort money or steal personal identifiable information (PII).

The Board is aware of numerous scam calls and faxes to licensees threatening legal or administrative action against licensees. Callers identify themselves as Board personnel, often times an Investigator or a law enforcement officer with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) or the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). The callers attempt a myriad of tactics in an attempt to extort money from licensees and instruct licensees to pay a “fine” or “bond” via wire transfer to avoid arrest, prosecution, or suspension or revocation of their license. Caller ID information may show the incoming call coming from the Board’s actual phone number (775) 688-2259.

Board personnel will never contact a licensee or their place of employment to demand money or any other form of payment and will never request PII or other sensitive information. If a licensee is the subject of an investigation or administrative discipline, they will receive notice via mail, certified mail or personal service.

Anyone receiving a “License Suspension Notice” or any other purported Board document via fax, or a telephone call from a person purporting to be a Board representative demanding money, should refuse the demand. The Board is currently in communication with the FBI and DEA regarding these scams, and it is recommended to file a complaint with the FBI’s Internet Crimes Complaint Center (ic3.gov) and the Federal Communications Commission at <https://consumercomplaints.fcc.gov/hc/en-us>. If you are unsure whether an individual claiming to be a Board representative is legitimate or have questions about any correspondence you receive, please call the Board’s Chief of Investigations at (775) 324-9370.