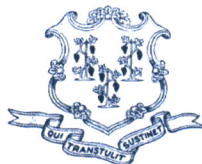


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Dear Licensee,

Please be aware that the Department has been made aware of three instances where phone scammers have targeted a physician, and one instance where they have targeted an APRN, under the pretense of a licensure investigation by the Department in collaboration with DEA and FBI.

From what has been reported, the caller ID shows up as a Department of Public Health number (860-509-7603). The caller identifies themselves as an investigator from the Department working with the FBI and DEA, and may say criminal charges are pending. The callers often share publicly available information such as the licensee's NPI number and license number. The caller may request personal information including credit card numbers or social security numbers. The licensees may be asked to call 1-804-277-9762 and speak to Jonathan Garcia. This is not a Department phone number and there is no such employee in the investigations unit.

Please aware that the Department's initial notification of an investigation of a licensee only occurs by an official letter through the mail.

Do not provide any personal information to anyone calling from 860-509-7603 and purporting to be investigating your license through the Department of Public Health.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christian D. Andresen".

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