

## **Licensee Scam Warning**

The State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy recently learned that licensees are being targeted by a scam where the scammers claim to work for various governmental agencies (Board of Pharmacy, DEA, FBI, Department of Justice, etc.) to obtain money from the target.

The scam involves phone calls, emails, and letters purporting to originate from various state and federal agencies, as well as faxes, and include allegations of drug trafficking and threats of suspension against the target's license.

Please remember, Board of Pharmacy investigators will not ask for fine payment or personal/sensitive information over the phone and will never contact licensees via fax.

If the Board of Pharmacy is conducting an investigation and that individual faces action against their license, they will receive an official notice of opportunity for a hearing either via certified mail or by personal service.

If you are contacted by a scammer, please report this information using the Board's online complaint form: <a href="www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/complaint">www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/complaint</a>. Additionally, reports should be made to your local law enforcement agency.