

Fake Pharmacy Board Representative Scam

The South Carolina Board of Pharmacy has learned that scam artists posing as Board staff/investigators are contacting pharmacists stating they are under investigation and demanding money.

The scammers may falsify the number on caller ID to make it appear as a legitimate phone number of the Board, such as (803) 896-4500. Please Note: The South Carolina Board of will never contact pharmacists by telephone to demand money or any form of payment for investigations.

If you receive a scam call — refuse the demand for payment, do not disclose any personal information (i.e. social security numbers, date of birth, credit card numbers, etc.) and please immediately consider doing the following:

- If the caller states he/she is an employee of the South Carolina Board of Pharmacy, please report the call to the Board by phone at 1-803-896-4700 or send an e-mail to contact.pharmacy@llr.sc.gov.
- If the caller states he/she is an employee of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), immediately report the threat using the DEA's Internet Crime Complaint Center Reporting form [here](#).
- If the phone number of the caller appears to be from the Board's number, please submit an online complaint with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) using the [FCC's Consumer Complaint form](#).

Reporting these scam calls will greatly assist in investigating and stopping this criminal activity. Any concerns or questions, including inquiries about legitimate investigations by the Board, should be directed to the Board at 1-803-896-4700.