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# (U//FOUO) Criminal Actors Impersonating Law Enforcement Targeting Healthcare Professionals through False Legal Claims, Requiring Direct Money Exchanges, as of July 2023

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(U//FOUO) Two separate incidents occurred in July 2023 where a male identifying himself as a law enforcement officer made multiple calls to an Indianapolis, Indiana, female physician and a female physician assistant claiming the two individuals missed a court date and now had arrest warrants. According to the caller, the physician and physician assistant could be arrested and lose their medical license unless they paid the fines immediately in cash and in person in the parking lot of an identified bail bonds office in downtown Indianapolis. During the telephone calls, the male was aggressive, maintained constant telephonic contact with the physician and physician assistant, and ordered them to speak with no one about the matter.

(U//FOUO) Once arriving at the bail bonds office's parking lot, a black male approached their vehicles and took receipt of the funds from the physician and physician assistant. After the initial payment, the criminal actor informed them of new warrants for their arrest, where the cycle of payment occurred three additional times for

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one victim, meeting the male at the bail bonds office's parking lot each time.

(U//FOUO) On 12 July 2023, a clinical addiction counselor and a physician assistant were victims of the same scam; however, the victims met the male subject in the Civic Center parking lot in Evansville, Indiana, behind the county courthouse and Evansville Police Department. The clinical addiction counselor received a request for additional information as she was driving to the local sheriff's office to sign a form acknowledging payment. The additional request required her to go to a local box store to purchase four identified cards for the payment. The caller provided the clinical addiction counselor with text messages of barcodes for the cashier to scan and the caller received payment from the cards. Authorities captured a photograph of the black male in the Evansville incidents from surveillance cameras in the area.

(U//FOUO) On 15 September 2022, the FBI's Office of Private Sector (OPS) published a Liaison Information Report (LIR) for the Healthcare and Public Health Sector. OPS released the LIR entitled, "Criminal Actors Targeting HealthCare Professionals in a Law Enforcement Impersonation Scam" in coordination with the FBI Baltimore Field Office. The LIR detailed criminal actors impersonating law enforcement while targeting healthcare professionals for money based on fictitious missed court dates; however, in this previous reporting victims did not directly meet with persons to exchange money.

(U//FOUO) FBI Indianapolis is releasing this SIR to raise awareness of this scam targeting healthcare professionals requiring victims directly contact fraudulent actors at bail bonds offices and near courthouses in an appearance to provide legitimacy for the scam. If agencies are aware of additional or have information regarding the identification of individuals involved in the scams, please contact FBI Indianapolis with the information at (317) 595-4000. Should an individual receive a suspicious or similar call, immediately contact their local law enforcement and/or file a complaint through the website IC3.gov.

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