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It has come to our attention that individuals are contacting Mississippi licensed healthcare professionals posing as regulatory investigators and/or state and federal law enforcement.

These callers typically make threats of arrest and/or licensure action against the licensee. The callers may attempt to confirm their authenticity by providing specific information related to the licensee, such as a nursing license or NPI number. However, such information is publicly available, and providing it does not in any way confirm the authenticity of the caller. The caller may also advise the targeted licensee that he or she is under investigation and attempt to obtain non-public personal information.

**Do not share personal information with anyone over the telephone without verifying their identity.** It is not the protocol of the MS Board of Nursing for an Investigator to inform a licensee over the telephone that they are under investigation or attempt to obtain non-public personal information from them. Therefore, contact the MS Board of Nursing immediately if you receive such a call.

Should you need to verify the identity of an Investigator or other representative of the MS Board of Nursing, please call 601-957-6300 and ask for the Investigative Division.

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