Prescription Fraud Alert

The Board was notified by the DEA of several fraudulent promethazine-codeine e-prescriptions by Dr. Aries Bajoyo from Houston, TX. Dr. Bajoyo’s phone data was compromised which included a phone prescribing software app. According to the DEA, pharmacies have been receiving these fraudulent prescriptions in multiple states including Ohio and New York.

To help combat these fraudulent prescriptions, it is recommended that pharmacies verify promethazine/codeine prescriptions with the practitioner’s office by means other than the phone numbers provided on the prescriptions.

Additionally, pharmacies and/or pharmacists must report all incidents of prescription fraud to the Board of Pharmacy. Reports to the Board may be filed online by visiting: www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/complaint.