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## **Terminal Distributor and Wholesaler Scam Alert**

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The Board wanted to alert licensees of a scam in which bad actors will call a licensee posing as an agent or employee of the State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy and ask to verify their terminal distributor of dangerous drugs (TDDD) license and DEA registration. The employee, not knowing the call is as a scam, will provide the caller the requested information which allows them to place fictitious orders with a wholesaler. Days or weeks later, the fictitious order will be placed with a wholesaler and shipped to the TDDD. The criminals will then contact the TDDD, now posing as the wholesaler and claim there was an error in shipping and will send a courier to pick up the drugs. The TDDD, again not knowing the entire event is a scam, will allow the unknowing courier to take possession of the drugs for transport to a shipping facility.

If a licensee encounters one of these calls, please verify the caller's identity by calling the Board or reaching out to their agents prior to providing such information over the phone. Additionally, it is important that the licensees contact the Board and law enforcement should they encounter this scam.

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