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Doshier alerts local residents about scam calls

SOUTHPORT - Doshier Memorial Hospital is aware of a recent scamming effort which falsely identified Doshier Memorial Hospital as the caller. The caller identified themselves as a representative of Doshier and stated that the recipient of the phone call had a family member in the Emergency Department after they had been in a car accident. They stated that bail money was required due to the circumstances surrounding the accident and offered another phone number to the recipient to call for an attorney, to arrange for bail.

Hospital officials advise that if you receive a call like this, to hang up immediately, and do not provide any financial or personal information. Scammers will often create a false emergency situation to pressure their victims to act immediately. They will also use technology to change a number that appears on a caller ID, with a practice called spoofing, to make the victim believe they know the person or organization who is calling.

If you receive a call that seems like a scam, contact your local law enforcement immediately.

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