

AT&T EMAIL SCAMS

Do you suspect an email is fake or wasn't sent from AT&T? DON'T open it, DON'T click any links, or open any attachments. These links or attachments can install malicious software or viruses on your device. AT&T asks that customers report the fraudulent email by forwarding the email to AT&T at abuse@att.net. When possible, include the full email header to help them identify the origins of the email.

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PARENT SCAM

An old scam was recently reported – with a twist. We've all heard this scam many times before where a resident receives a call, allegedly from a **grandson**, who has allegedly been in an automobile accident and injured a person who was in the hospital.

In this case, the caller claims **he is the son.** When the resident questioned the caller because he did not sound like her son, the caller said that he had broken his nose in the accident. The resident is asked to call "attorney" Patrick Morgan. The resident called the "attorney" and he explains to the resident that her son is in jail and that they need to post a bond of \$9,500 dollars immediately. Fortunately, in this case the resident wisely hung up on the scammer and called her son who advised her that this was in fact a scam. The caller ID on the resident's phone was the name BRANDY WINE, WV OR SCOTT DEPOT, WV.

The scary thing about this incident is that the scammer knew her son's name, where he lived, his date of birth, along with the resident's name and address etc.

NOTE

These are just a couple of the many types of scams that are reported!! Always be aware and alert and if you are suspicious of any phone call, email or text, do not respond. Just hang up or delete the text or email. Then contact a friend, relative or neighbor and get some advice!! For more information download Neighborhood Watch Scam Alerts flyer HERE.

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