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FBI Warning: Cybersecurity Threat to Dental Practices

We were recently made aware of an alert from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services' (CMS) Healthcare Fraud Prevention Partnership regarding a cybersecurity threat to dental practices. **The Health Plan of San Mateo (HPSM) has not had a cybersecurity threat but we wanted to alert you in case you and your practice encounter any fraudulent or suspicious activities.**

See Healthcare Fraud Prevention Partnership's Alert ID 57051:

"The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) has informed the American Dental Association and the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons of a credible cybersecurity threat to the practices of oral and maxillofacial surgeons.

The FBI confirmed that as of May 6, 2024, there were no known cyberattack victims, but the agency is working proactively to raise awareness to help prevent victimization. The FBI suspects the group behind the cyberattacks may be shifting tactics to oral and maxillofacial surgery practices after targeting plastic surgeons in 2023.

The FBI requests dental practices to report any fraudulent or suspicious activities to the FBI Internet Crime Complaint Center at <u>https://www.ic3.gov/</u>."

Visit the Healthcare Fraud Prevention Partnership's webpage here: <u>https://portal.hfpp-</u> ttp.org/disclaimer/login?destination=/partner-sharing/document-share/details/57051

Contact <u>dental@hpsm.org</u> with any questions and our team will follow up promptly.

Thank you,

The Health Plan of San Mateo

