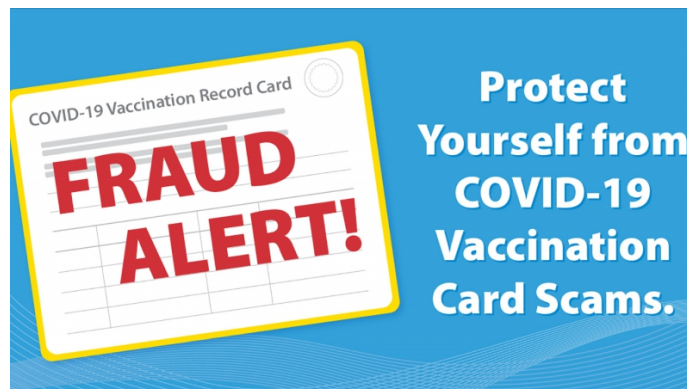




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Beware of COVID-19 vaccination card scams



The use of fake COVID-19 vaccination cards remains an issue as Americans continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic.

Vaccination cards are intended to provide recipients of the COVID-19 vaccine with information about the type of vaccination

they received, when they received it and when they may be able to receive a second or booster dose (if eligible). Many businesses, workplaces, restaurants and other facilities require proof of vaccination before entering their establishments.

In response, some individuals have created fake vaccination cards to gain entry to vaccine mandating entities.

Counterfeit COVID-19 vaccination cards are illegal

VA is working to protect Veterans by raising awareness of [vaccination card scams](#).

“The Office of Integrity and Compliance (OIC) is charged with monitoring and reporting instances of fraudulent COVID-19 vaccination cards,” says Dr. Tracy Davis Bradley, Executive Director of VHA Office of Integrity and Compliance.

“As champions of the [VHA Code of Integrity](#), VA employees have an essential role to play in helping us detect and prevent the use of these fake cards. Specifically, we ask that employees contact the OIC Helpline if you encounter or suspect a fake vaccine card in your work,” she said.

Increasing VA employee's awareness of fake COVID-19 cards helps protect VA employees, Veterans and loved ones.

Key vaccine card safety tips include:

- Do not buy fake vaccination cards or make your own.
- Do not fill in blank vaccination cards with false information.
- Do not provide personal, medical or financial details to anyone in exchange for vaccine information. Only obtain vaccinations from trusted providers.
- Do not share photos of COVID-19 vaccination cards on social media—this puts you at risk for identity theft.

Report suspicious COVID-19 vaccine cards

Criminal activity should be promptly reported to the VA Office of Inspector General: VA OIG Hotline at (800) 488-8244 or by visiting [this webpage](#).

If you suspect use of a fake COVID-19 vaccine card, contact the OIC Helpline (available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week) at (866) 842-4357 (VHA-HELP) or email: VHAOICHelpline@va.gov



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