

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

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Division of Adult Institutions

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TO: All PIOC

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SUBJECT: Scam Awareness

The purpose of this communication is to provide information regarding recent scams that are targeting the friends and families of PIOC. Please be aware that friends and family are being contacted by an unknown party posing as the Department of Corrections or the Wisconsin Department of Parole and Supervision Services either via phone or text message. The message is the PIOC is eligible to participate in a program that will allow them to convert the rest of their prison sentence into home confinement or house arrest. The message goes on to state the PIOC will be released on ankle monitoring and they are requesting the targeted individuals address so they can send a technician out to install a transponder box for the ankle monitoring system. Another version of this scam is the caller identifying themselves as either IRSP or IRSP Programming and stating to the targeted individual that if they purchase an electronic monitoring bracelet for their loved one for the amount of \$750.00, they will be released early and upon the official release date the \$750.00 would be refunded.

Please note that neither of these communications are related to the Wisconsin Department of Corrections or any of their divisions; Division of Community Corrections, Division of Juvenile Corrections or Division of Adult Institutions. Please inform your friends and family of this information and to be aware that these communications are a scam and they should not give out their address or pay any sum of money to them.