

New phone scam being reported locally

**(KNZA)--A new phone scam is being reported locally in attempt to steal your personal information.**

**Brown County Sheriff John Merchant says county residents are being contracted by phone by someone who identifies themselves as a Blue Cross/Blue Shield representative.**

**The caller is informing residents that they are trying to update information by phone and in some cases have asked to come to the residents home to propose new policy information.**

**Merchant says several residents have reported that a time and date was agreed upon by the so-called representative to come to their home. However, when the date arrived, the caller contacted the resident claiming to have some kind of scheduling issue and asked if they could just take the information over the phone.**

**In all cases, the resident hung up and reported the activity. It was also reported that the callers did not have a foreign accent.**

**Merchant says he spoke with a Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas representative and was informed they will never make unsolicited sales calls and will never make appointments to come to your home.**

**He again reminds residents to never give out personal information over the phone or internet.**

**If you feel you have been a victim of this scam, notify your local law enforcement at once.**

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