

Fraud Warning

Hello family, friends, and teachers

Please be warned and warn others you know, especially other health care professionals. even if you're not a health care professional, keep an eye out for possible frauds. It does happen to ordinary people like us.

I was contacted by a Stephens Drotar via email requesting for one whole week of acupuncture treatments. He claims to be from United Kingdom and will be vacation around my local area. I told him I can not schedule for one whole week for someone especially from out of town without a security deposit of \$160.00 in the form of a cashier's check or money order. He had his associate send me a cashier's check in the amount of \$1910.00. I emailed back telling him he paid too much what should I do with the rest of the money. He apologized for the mistake and asked me to deposit the cashier's check and use Western Union to wire him the rest of his money today since he needs the rest of the money to buy his plane ticket. He graciously told me I could take out \$320.00 (my full charge for one week treatment) plus any money Western Union will charge. My husband had me go to Chase Bank to cash out the cashier's check since the check had Chase bank as the originator. Chase employees checked the cashier's check and couldn't trace it. They said that means the check is a counterfeit. Good thing my husband made me go to Chase to cash out, cause if I had deposited in my business checking account, it would've taken weeks before they could clear it and in the mean time I would've already sent this guy over \$1,500.00. Not to mention the loss of time off my schedule for one whole week.

I've filed a complaint with the FBI via internet and I'll probably go to file with the local police next.

Please beware.

Stay well

Terry