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TO: Brookline Food Service Establishments

FROM: Dr. Swannie Jett

RE: Scam – Fraudulent Callers

It has come to the Brookline Public Health Department's attention that calls are being made from persons claiming that they are from the Health Department and seeking credit card payments for Inspections. Please be advised that these callers ARE NOT from that Health Department and are attempting to SCAM credit card information.

If you receive such a call DO NOT provide credit card information or attempt any type of payment. Health Department fees and payments are always sent through the mail.

Should an individual visit your establishment and claim to be a health inspector and you do not recognize him/her, request an ID. If you still have a question, you can call the Health Department at 617-730-2300 to verify the individual inspector.

Inspectional staff does not charge or accept payments during or after inspections. If an individual visits your establishment and attempts to obtain credit card payment/information or payment for an inspection you should call the Brookline Police Department at 617-230- 2222. The Police Department has been advised of this issue and will take appropriate action.

If you have any questions in this matter, you may call me at 617-730-2300.