



## THE INVESTIGATOR



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Since 2000, BCSI Investigations Inc. has performed thousands of successful investigations.

Our integrated team of investigators and support services ensure that the investigations are conducted in a timely fashion with leading edge techniques.

BCSI Investigations Inc. is considered the platinum standard of the industry based on the quality and the wide spectrum of its services as well as the expertise of the investigators.

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### Vaccine Rollout increasing Fraud Attempts on our Seniors

This month, B.C. will start booking seniors over the age of 80 and Indigenous people over age 65 for their COVID-19 vaccines, and officials are reminding the public to be on high alert for scammers. British Columbian's, especially those with elderly relatives, need to stay vigilant as fraudsters use this opportunity to prey on our most vulnerable community.

Many seniors are unclear about how and when to book their vaccine appointments, making them more susceptible to a scammer calling or emailing them posing as a health authority worker. Global News [reports](#) a Kamloops resident said they received an email asking for their SIN number so they could be registered for the vaccine. But fraudsters aren't merely asking for your social insurance numbers; now they'll try to [phish for general information](#), which could enable them to guess some of your personal passwords. Police have reported an uptick in these kinds of emails and calls over the last few weeks.

It is important to note health authority call centres will never ask for your SIN, driver's license, banking information, or credit card.

The government will ask for the following:

- First and last name
- date of birth
- postal code
- personal health number
- contact information (either your own or your support person)

Never be afraid to ask someone who they are and where they are calling from. You can then refer to a legitimate website to retrieve the contact number. When in doubt, hang up and call someone you know to help.

Mayor Horgan has urged British Columbian's to support our seniors during this crucial time and make the process as smooth as possible for them. This may mean that they have a family member, a support person, or a friend who could help them call into the call centre, so they don't feel they must navigate the system on their own. Also, our seniors must know



what vaccine scams look like, how to avoid them, and what to do when faced with them.

If you or someone you know has been the victim of a vaccine scam, BCSI can help! Contact us at 604-922-6572 or via our [website](#) to set-up a free consultation with one of our experienced private investigators.



March is fraud prevention month. Recognize, reject, report.

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