

“Scam” alerts



THE GOOD BOSS

- Email or text enquiry about treating a large group of staff who will arrive by bus.
- Complicated credit card scam that asks you to put extra on the card and then give the bus driver cash as a payment.



THE HOSPITAL PATIENT

- Similar to the “good boss”.
- Is in hospital for cancer treatment so can only correspond via text or email.
- Wants to book in 10 + family members in for relaxation massages.
- Another credit card scam



JIM, JOHN AND FATI

- Request via text for you to come to “their house” to massage their glutes.
- Believed to be one person, who if you engage will become aggressive and abusive and thinks all female therapists are prostitutes.



FACEBOOK PAGE CANCELLATION

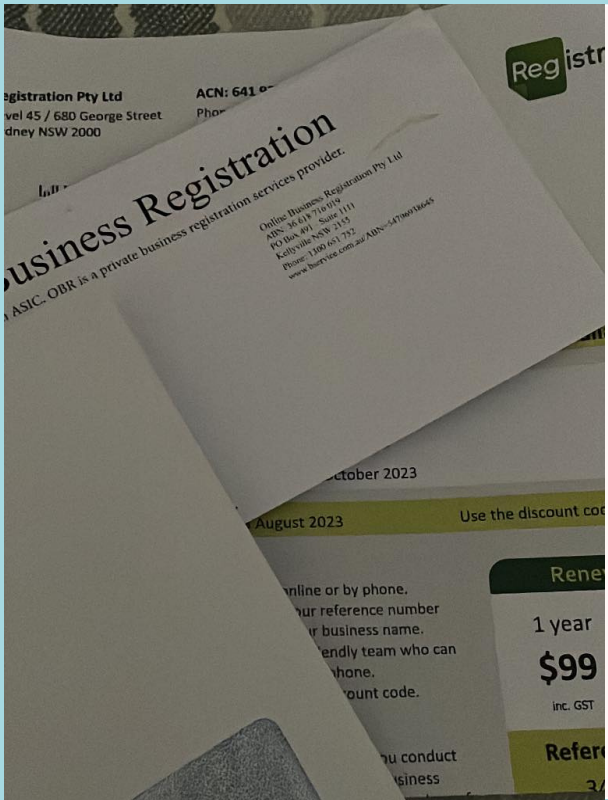
- Message arrives through Messenger.
- Indicates your FB page is about to be deleted due to trademark breaches or community standards breach.
- Provides a link to request for a review
- Requests “immediate” action
- Do NOT click on the link.





PAYMENT SCAM

- Scammers say they will pay with PayID.
- Will ask for PayID email to complete payment.
- They send a fake PayID to you stating there was an issue and you must transfer funds to increase their PayID limit so they can receive the payment.
- They promise to process as soon as this is done.



THIRD PARTY REGISTRATION

- A couple of months before your ABN registration is due you will start receiving official looking letters with payment links to renew
- Legit links but you will pay double the price.
- Only renew directly through the ASIC site



WHITECOAT AND NATURAL THERAPIES PAGES

- Totally legal business that will publish your clinic address and try and charge you when clients find you through them.
- Dangerous if you are home based and do not want your address published for security reasons.
- Check regularly and demand the address be removed for security reasons.
- Even if you have it removed, it will likely reappear every few months so keep checking.
- They source the address from the Health Funds

If you are aware of any other scams, please post them to the [Australian Massage Therapists Community Facebook group](#).

Also monitor [Scamwatch](#), the Aust Govt Anti-Scam Centre

