

QuoteRUSH is dedicated to the security of your information! In this edition of the Security Awareness Series, we're covering CEO Fraud.

What is CEO Fraud?

(How do I spot it?)

CEO Fraud is a type of social engineering attack where cybercriminals impersonate someone with authority to deceive you into taking action. (e.g. your boss, a company executive, or a trusted vendor)

These attacks often follow research into your role and communication patterns.

Common Scams Include:

- Request for Personal Info/Employee Records
- A Wire Transfer Request (Send me money/Send me banking info)
- Abnormal Direct Deposit Requests (Change my info/Verify my info)

Red Flags to Watch For:

- Email is short, urgent, and/or signed "Sent from my phone"
- You are asked to bypass normal company policies/procedures
- Email is work related but uses a personal address (e.g. hotmail/gmail.com)
- Email comes from a lookalike domain (e.g. gma11.com or quoteru5h.com)
- The tone feels "off" or unlike the person it appears to be from
- Payment instructions differ from previous communications

<u>Final Tip:</u> Always verify unusual email requests directly with the sender (including leadership), especially if the request involves money or sensitive information.

DO NOT REPLY TO SUSPICIOUS EMAILS

Instead, verify with the sender and report it to IT



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