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Public Safety Announcement Regarding Scams and False Information Related to COVID-19

During the growing COVID-19 pandemic, some internet perpetrators are preying on panic by posting false news, rumors or scams. The Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department is releasing a "[Scams & Rumors](#)" [public service video](#) to remind the public to be cautious and check their facts from reliable sources before spreading the rumor.

Unverified rumors include utility workers trying to gain entrance to homes or door-to-door officers of COVID-19 testing. As a reminder, utility companies mandate a company vehicle for customer response. If you are suspicious of anything, always contact the utility provider. Patient testing will take place at official locations. For information about the COVID-19 testing, visit <https://www.southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/>

The Nevada Attorney General's Office underscored this message by reaching out to Nevadans today and warning consumers to be wary of high-pressure sales tactics and to do your research regarding any health-related claims. Up to date information is provided on the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) (CDC) and the [World Health Organization](#) (WHO) websites.

Anyone wanting to report suspicious activity can reach out to the [Better Business Bureau](#) (BBB)

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