

# **Okaloosa County News Release**

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## **VETERANS PATIENT CARE GROUP SCAM**

The Office of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (VA) has issued the following warning: I have received many reports that veterans are being contacted by "Patient Care Group" representing that they are helping administer VA prescriptions and stating that the pharmacy billing procedures have changed and they are therefore requesting Veteran credit card numbers for prescription payments in advance of filling their prescriptions. This is false. VA does not call veterans asking to disclose personal financial information over the phone. VA has not changed its processes for dispensing prescription medicines. Be safe, and **never give out personal information** to any unsolicited phone caller.

For more information, contact Veterans Services office or visit at a location near you, see office listings below:

### **Okaloosa County Veterans Services**

601-A N. Pearl St, **Crestview**

850-689-5922

6 11<sup>th</sup> Ave Suite G-3, **Shalimar**

850-651-7258

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