

Hoax Emails from NICE (National Institute for Health and Care Excellence) 13.03.14

Background

- The Hampshire and Isle of Wight Counter Fraud Team has been made aware of a hoax email being circulated to patients suggesting that the email has been sent by NICE (National Institute for Health and Care Excellence).
- The email informs the patient of the outcome of blood tests which indicate that the patient may have cancer and then asks them to click on a link contained within the email. Clicking the link downloads viruses to the user's computer. All information contained within the email is false.
- Enquiries have been made with NICE, whose website is currently showing a message advising that they are aware of this scam, this can be seen at <http://www.nice.org.uk/>