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POEA warns nurses anew on email scam

The Philippine Overseas Employment Administration yesterday reiterated its warning on fraudulent e-mails offering Filipino nurses and other healthcare professionals employment in big hospitals in Canada and other countries.

Administrator Hans Leo J. Cacdac said one such e-mail received by the POEA offers employment in Kingston General Hospital (KGH) in Ontario, Canada and instructs applicants to pay PhP3,750 as registration fee for a mandatory training session.

The management of Kingston General Hospital has denied involvement in any recruitment campaign in the Philippines. In its website, KGH said "it does not actively recruit nursing staff from abroad, nor does it recruit through e-mail, and will never ask job applicants to send money as part of the job application process".

Cacdac said applicants should just ignore such e-mail stating that they have been selected for a nursing position in hospitals they have not even applied for.

The fake job offer assures the worker of immediate interview by the foreign employer, non-payment of placement and processing fees, free accommodation and food allowance, and other too-good-to-be-true benefits.

Cacdac also warned job applicants on supposed job opportunities spread through social media like Facebook and Twitter.

"Instead, job seekers may search the POEA website for available job orders or use the POEA application for smartphones and tablets," Cacdac added.

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