Indications of a job scam may include:

- If the job offer seems too good to be true, it is most likely a scam. *e.g.* earning $200 per hour for little to no work.
- Grammatical errors in the job posting or email message.
- Do not forward, transfer, send by courier (e.g. FedEx, UPS), or “wire” money to anyone. Do not be tricked into becoming a money mule.
- Requests for “application” payments via your credit card.
- Job posting appearing on virtual job boards, but not on the companies’ website.
- Requirement to purchase start-up equipment from the company in advance of getting hired.
- Suspicious email domains. Fake employers contact victims through non-company email domains. *i.e.* they use @gmail.com instead of @companyname.com.
- Potential employer requires victim to pay upfront for background investigations or screenings.
- Interview conducted via teleconference application that use email addresses instead of phone number.

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