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Warning Regarding Telephone Fundraising Scam

Baltimore, MD – Mercy Medical Center recently learned about a telephone fundraising scam in which its name and/or telephone number are being used by scammers to solicit donations. The scam calls have been received by local residents as well as residents from all over the United States. The callers use a scam technique known as “caller ID spoofing,” in which they place calls that appear to originate from Mercy Medical Center in order to hide the caller’s true identity. The callers are requesting a charitable donation for various purported causes, such as pediatric cancer or leukemia research, and may request payment or financial information over the phone.

These calls are a **scam**. Mercy Medical Center and its affiliates do not solicit any charitable contributions using telemarketers. If you receive such a scam call or a voicemail requesting donations, you should disregard the request and **do not provide the caller your payment, personal, or financial information**. You can also report these scam calls to the Maryland Office of Attorney General, Consumer Protection Division at 410-528-8662 or toll free at 888-743-0023.