

## Exhibitor Warning

There are fraudulent companies and organizations that try to take advantage of a conference exhibitor list and forcefully target and solicit exhibitors with their services. They will often try to present themselves as official partners of AAPM. These companies may even use the AAPM event branding to appear authentic. **These companies are NOT affiliated with AAPM and are NOT authorized by AAPM to contact exhibitors. Do not reply to these requests.**

This has unfortunately become a common occurrence with conferences and trade shows. AAPM partners with a world-class team of vendors who may contact you from time to time to help keep you on track for a successful event.

### Tips

Official **AAPM 2025 Conference Vendors** are listed in the ExpoCAD Exhibitor Resource Center.

1. AAPM suggests **IGNORING THEM COMPLETELY**, and not communicating with them in any way. Responding or writing letters simply confirms that you exist and are available at the address/email address/number they have for you, and therefore payment can be pursued.
2. Report it to the FTC.
3. **DO NOT PAY ANYTHING OR SEND MONEY.**
4. **DO NOT COMMUNICATE WITH THE SCAMMERS** even if/when they threaten legal action.

### You Can Also Help by Filing a Report!

If your company has received fraudulent emails or phone calls soliciting you, file a report.

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) has created a new process for individuals and companies to report these activities. The FTC will share these reports with their law enforcement partners to help with investigations and stop these practices.

### **How to file a fraud report:**

1. Go to Federal Trade Commission: [ReportFraud.ftc.gov](https://www.ftc.gov/report-fraud)
2. Click on "Report Now"
3. For Question 1: "Is your report about any of these common problems?"
  - Select "An Impersonator" (top left answer)For Question 2: "Who were they pretending to be?"
  - Select "Well-known or trusted business"

Click "Continue"

Add as much information as you have and submit!

Thank you for helping us report these fraudulent companies. With enough complaints, we can work to stop these scammers from targeting exhibitors.

Should you be contacted by someone other than an official AAPM vendor, as listed in the Exhibitor Service Kit, please let us know by emailing [exhibits@aapm.org](mailto:exhibits@aapm.org).

### Resources

<https://www.exhibitionsconferencesalliance.org/press-releases/exhibitions-conferences-alliance-applauds-federal-trade-commission-finalizing-anti-impersonation-fraud-rule>

<https://www.exhibitoronline.com/topics/article.asp?ID=2536>