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Medical Board's Operation Safe Medicine Arrests Moreno Valley Man

Moreno Valley- Santiago Alvarez was arrested yesterday thanks to the undercover work of the Medical Board of California's Operation Safe Medicine Task Force. Alvarez has been charged with practicing medicine without a license, along with grand theft by false pretenses.

Alvarez owned and operated LogiHealth and Rejuvenix Medical, LLC, both located in Moreno Valley, California. A licensed Respiratory Care Practitioner, he represented himself as a Naturopathic doctor "Board Certified in Anti-Aging Medicine" none of which was true. He provided Botox injections at both locations, which by law are required to be administered by a licensed physician, or a physician's assistant or registered nurse under direct supervision of a licensed physician. He also allegedly stole the DEA number and forged the signature of another licensed physician to obtain prescriptions.

"Practicing medicine without a license is a problem the Medical Board is committed to stopping," says spokesperson Cassandra Hockenson. "It poses imminent danger to the health and safety of California consumers."

It was a tip from the Respiratory Care Board of California that first directed the Medical Board's attention to Alvarez, who is currently in custody and bail is set.

The mission of the Medical Board of California is to protect health care consumers through proper licensing and regulation of physicians and surgeons and certain allied health care professions and through the vigorous, objective enforcement of the Medical Practice Act, and, to promote access to quality medical care through the Board's licensing and regulatory functions.

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