

For Pittsburg State University employees that receive fraudulent unemployment insurance claims, the Kansas Department of Labor, Security Division, recommends that you should take these actions immediately. This is current information as of 10-21-2020.

Use the website www.ReportFraud.ks.gov to report the fraudulent claim.

When you report the fraud, they will issue an email with a police report number which can be used to notify all three major credit reporting bureaus and request a “fraud alert” on your credit report. They are as follows:

Equifax
Consumer Fraud Division
800-525-6285
P.O. Box. 740241
Atlanta, GA 30374
www.equifax.com

TransUnion
Fraud Victim Assistance Dept.
800-680-7289
P.O. Box 6790
Fullerton, CA 92834
www.transunion.com

Experian
National Consumer Assist
888-397-3742
P.O. Box 9532
Allen, TX 75013
www.experian.com

There are a number of other companies that offer identity theft and credit monitoring services for a fee.

You should contact your banks and credit card companies. Follow their advice as to whether you should close your account.

You can also complete a report at the Office of the Inspector General for the Social Security Administration by going to <https://oig.ssa.gov/> They offer a fraud hotline as 1-800-269-0271. The Social Security Administration’s general customer service number is 1-800-772-1213.

In order to check the accuracy of your work history on file with the SSA, you may want to obtain a copy of your Personal Earnings and Benefit Estimate Statement (PEBES). You can obtain a PEBES application at your local Social Security office. Our closest local office is in Joplin, MO. Their address is 4102 S. Arizona Avenue, Joplin, MO 64804. Their phone number is 1-866-964-7421.

You would only need to notify the I.R.S. if there is an actual payment made on the fraud and you would receive a 1099 for an unemployment claim. Then you’ll want to notify the Internal Revenue Service’s fraud hotline at 1-800-908-4490. Request a copy of your Wage and Income Transcript from the IRS. You will need to report and dispute any fraudulent earnings listed on the Wage and Income Transcript. You can go to <http://www.irs.gov/privacy/article/0,,id=186436,00.html> for additional IRS information. Call 1-877-487-2778, between 8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m., Eastern Time.

You can also contact the Federal Trade Commission (FTC). The FTC collects complaints about identity theft from those whose identities have been stolen. You may reach the FTC’s identity theft hotline toll free at **1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338)** or visit their website at www.ftc.gov/idtheft. Additional Resources: [Protecting Your Social Security Number from Identity Theft](#) or: [IRS Taxpayer Guide to Identity Theft](#)