## BULLETIN

# **VACC Membership Relations**



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### **Urgent Information - Scam Email**

#### Dear Member

VACC has become aware of emails that may be in circulation that imply that they have been sent from VACC.

The email(s) are primarily concerned with usernames and/or passwords and have a zipped file attached.

Whilst VACC has not been able to determine whether this email is harmful or not at this point in time, it should be noted that:

- VACC has not attempted to contact you via bulk email regarding usernames and passwords.
- VACC would not attach a zipped file to any bulk email sent to members.

#### What should you do?

- If you have received an email similar in nature, it is strongly recommended that you do not open the email or any attachments.
- Delete the email permanently from your system.

General tips to manage your email and online security:

- Do not open any email or attachment that comes from an unknown source.
- Check the senders email address. Does it come from an unknown source or does it appear not to align with the sender listed in the body of the email.
- Contact the organisation presented as being the sender to check on an email's legitimacy.
- If in doubt, delete the email from your system.
- Adopt a policy of changing passwords on a regular basis.

Kind regards

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