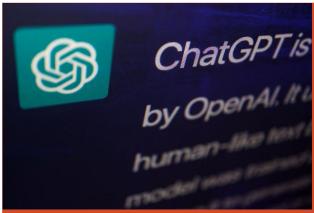


News Brief

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New York Lawyers Sanctioned For Using Fake ChatGPT Cases in Legal Brief ~excerpt from Reuters A U.S. judge imposed sanctions on two New York lawyers who submitted a legal brief that included six fictitious case citations generated by an artificial intelligence chatbot, ChatGPT. The lawyers admitted that they had used ChatGPT to help research the brief in a client's personal injury case and unknowingly included the false citations. The firm stated that they made a good faith mistake in failing to believe that a piece of technology could be making up cases out of whole cloth. The judge

wrote in the sanctions order that there is nothing "inherently improper" in lawyers using AI "for assistance," but he said lawyer ethics rules "impose a gatekeeping role on attorneys to ensure the accuracy of their filings."



Guard Your Digital Presence With a Secure Password

If you use the same password far and wide for all of your accounts, breaking into them is that much easier for a digital bad actor. The next step in the cybersecurity journey is to use strong passwords. Passwords have been around for decades and are an integral piece of the shield that protects your digital assets. There are three critical components to a strong password:

- Length—a password should be at least 12 characters in length
- Complexity—a combination of upper—and lower-case letters, numbers, and special characters
- Uniqueness—none of your passwords should look alike. Each online account should be a different password and not by adding the number 2. Further, never use the same password for work & personal.

Artificial intelligence (AI) has undoubtedly revolutionized various industries, from healthcare to finance. However, with every innovation comes the potential for exploitation, and AI is no exception. Recently, a concerning trend of audio voice spamming has emerged referring to the use of AI-powered voice technology to disseminate unsolicited messages or manipulate individuals into taking certain actions. These spam calls or messages are designed to sound genuine, fooling unsuspecting individuals into falling for scams or divulging personal information. This growing problem not only violates people's privacy but also poses significant risks to their financial security. It requires urgent attention and preventive measures, such as robust authentication protocols and AI-powered security systems, to detect and block these spam attempts. Additionally, public awareness campaigns are crucial to educating individuals about this threat and equipping them with strategies to identify and avoid voice spamming. While AI brings tremendous benefits, it is essential to stay vigilant and proactive in mitigating the risks associated with its misuse. (This article was AI generated.)



NM Office of Broadband Access & Expansion (OBAE) Grant Writing, Engineering, and Planning Grant

This grant is intended for cities, counties, and tribal governments. Total fund is \$5 million with \$50,000+ in awards. Please contact Alex Trujillo, Aquiles.Trujillo@connect.nm.gov, for more information on this grant opportunity. Control/Click on the link for the application.

https://obae.submittable.com/submit/276140/nm-obae-grant-writing-engineering-and-planning-grant-gwep

NM Aging and Long-Term Services Dept. Hosts 45th Annual Conference on Aging

- November 13-14, 2023
- National Hispanic Cultural Center in ABQ
- 8:30am-4:30pm
- Registration open: https://www.aginginnm.org/
- Cost \$10 (scholarships available)
- Dance November 13, 2023
- 5:30pm-8pm
- The Clyde Hotel Downtown ABQ
- Cost included in conference registration

To inspire, educate, and empower seniors and their caregivers. Participate in interactive workshops providing tool/solutions.

What is a Financial Emergency and How to Deal With One

- Financial emergencies can be upsetting, but you have options for dealing with them.
- Comparing costs is one way to choose the best solution

TrueConnect is a voluntary loan benefit program utilized by 11 NM counties. It's an alternative to payday or title loans with interest rates at 19.99% APR which, when paid off in 12 months, is @ 11% in interest actually paid. It is set up through payroll deductions. The approval process is confidential, between the employee and the lender, and takes 24-48 hours to process. Eligible employees can apply for a small loan in \$500 increments from \$1,000 up to \$5,000. Parameters are in place so that the repayment is no more than 8% of an employee's paycheck. If your county is interested in this benefit, contact Susan Mayes, smayes@nmcounties.org or call 505-469-0042 for more details.

Mon Oct 23 NACo Webinar: Unlocking Opportunity by Increasing Digital Equity 11am-Noon MDT



Fill out the Student INPUT SUR-VEY and tell us which classes you wish to see offered on our January 2024 Honing Your NM EDGE Class Schedule. Link to NMC <u>2023 Annual Meetings Calendar</u> Link to NMC <u>2024 Annual Meetings Calendar</u> Link: Loss Prevention Trainings Calendar & RSVP

Thu Nov 2 NMC Executive Committee meeting 2pm NMC Office Santa Fe

Fri Nov 3 NMC/NMML Joint Legislative meeting 9am Santa Fe County

Wed Nov 29-30 NMCIA Board meeting & Retreat Doña Ana County

Wed Dec 6 Advisory Council meeting 11am virtual

Tue Dec 19 NMCRe Captive Board meeting 10am virtual

2024

Jan NM EDGE classes 1/4, 1/9, 1/23. 1/24, 1/25, 1/30, 1/31 Live Online

Mon Jan 15-18 NMC Legislative Conference Santa Fe, Hilton and SFCCC

Mon Jan 15-16 NM EDGE at conference Tue Jan 16 NMCIA Membership meeting 9am Tue Jan 16 Legislative Session opens Noon Tue Jan 16 NMC Board of Directors meeting

Thu Jan 25 NMC Executive Committee Zoom

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