COVID-19 Related SCAMS



The fear and isolation people are feeling as a result of COVID-19 restrictions are being exploited by scammers. Take preventative action by being aware of scammers pretending to be from the government, a bank, a health official or tech company. They may abuse your personal information such as your social security number, credit card/ banking information, Medicare number, etc.

SCAMS can happen via:











Phone Social Media

E-Mail

Websites

In-Person

Common Scams:

- Selling fake COVID-19 tests, vaccines, cures or masks
- Asking for fake charity donations (verify at charitynavigator.org or give.org)
- Posing as a loved one diagnosed with COVID-19, requesting money transfer
- Promising direct deposit of stimulus check
- Offering fake relief \$\$

Safety Tips!

- Never pay someone you don't know!
- Be wary of giving out credit card and social security information!
- Always check the source of your information! Especially about COVID-19
- Only access apps, links and emails you know are safe
- Posing as WHO or CDC
- Saying SS# has been cancelled due to COVID-19
 - Advertising fake COVID tracking apps



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