

COVID SCAMS

The coronavirus pandemic has created a world of new opportunities for fraudsters. During this time of increased isolation, older Americans are more at risk than ever for being the victim of fraud or identity theft. Below, are some resources for protecting yourself and your loved ones from COVID-19 scams:

RESOURCES

Federal Trade Commission (FTC) coronavirus website:

www.ftc.gov/coronavirus

CDC information on phishing and other scams:

www.cdc.gov/media/phishing.html

The National Center for Disaster Fraud Hotline:

1-866-720-5721

The Department of Justice Combating COVID-19 Fraud website:

www.justice.gov/coronavirus/combatingfraud

HHS Office of the Inspector General COVID-19 Fraud website:

www.oig.hhs.gov/coronavirus/fraud-alert-covid19.asp

Department of Labor information on Unemployment fraud:

www.dol.gov/general/maps/fraud

FBI coronavirus website:

www.fbi.gov/coronavirus

Consumer Finance Protection Bureau fraud prevention materials:

www.consumerfinance.gov/practitioner-resources/resources-for-older-adults/financial-education-placemats

Find your local State Health Insurance Assistance Programs (SHIPs):

www.medicare.gov/contacts

Learn more at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov