

# PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 MEDICARE SCAMS

TO REPORT SCAMS, MEDICARE FRAUD, AND ABUSE  
CALL VIRGINIA'S SENIOR MEDICARE PATROL AT  
1-800-938-8885.

Beware of scam robocalls. If you receive a robocall don't press any buttons. Hang-up and block the number.

Beware of fraudsters who offer online offers for vaccinations and treatment kits. Right now, there are no FDA-approved COVID-19 home test kits.

Beware of grandparent scams whereby scammers pose as panicked grandchildren in trouble with an urgent request to receive wired money.

Beware of fake charities whereby scammers request financial donations for COVID-19 through cash, gift cards, or the wiring of money.

Beware of fraudulent letters threatening suspension of Social Security benefits due to COVID-19. Social Security will not suspend or discontinue benefits.

Beware of scammers who pretend to be government officials and request your bank account number or credit card number to deposit a Government relief check.

## Helpful Tips

- Guard your Medicare card
- Guard your Social Security card
- Guard your personal information

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- Never wire money
- Don't respond to scammers requests
- Always verify a caller's identity