

Don't Get Cheated By These COVID-19 Scams



1. Beware of scams claiming to be the IRS, Social Security or other government agency. Government websites end in “.gov.” Typically, these scams will ask for money and personal information before sending your income tax refund or stimulus check. Do not send money or provide personal information in response to a telephone call, text or e-mail.



2. Don't give out personal or financial information over the phone or on websites unless you are sure about the source (for example if you are on the irs.gov website). Don't give your information over the web unless you are 100% sure that the website is legitimate. If you are speaking to someone over the phone, and they ask for your information, request that they first send something in writing.



3. Beware of scams that offer free healthcare, test kits, or cures for COVID-19. There is currently no cure or vaccine for COVID-19. Tests can only be obtained and administered by licensed healthcare professionals.