

# FRAUD Surrounding COVID-19

As the number of people and communities affected by the COVID-19 pandemic grows, so do the scams associated with it.

The Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) recommends that Medicare beneficiaries:



Be cautious of anyone who comes to your door offering free coronavirus testing, treatment or supplies.



Don't click on links from sources you do not know. You could be putting your computer or device at risk.



Review your Medicare Summary Notice (MSN) or Explanation of Benefits (EOB), looking for errors or claims for products or services that you did not receive.



Ignore online offers for vaccinations. If you see ads for prevention products or cures for COVID-19, they are most likely a scam.



Do not give out your Medicare number, Social Security number or personal information to anyone via phone, text, email, or home visits.



Be Cautious When Purchasing Medical Supplies from unverified sources, including online advertising, emails and phone solicitations

**If you or anyone you know has been a victim of FRAUD, call the NYS Senior Medicare Patrol at 800-333-4374 or visit us online at [nysenior.org](http://nysenior.org).**

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