

# STAY SMART | STAY SAFE | STAY IN CONTROL

As we age, we gain wisdom, but scammers often target older adults, assuming they're more trusting or unfamiliar with new technology. The truth? With a little knowledge and awareness, you can outsmart any scam.

## **COMMON SCAM TARGETING SENIORS**

#### **MEDICARE & HEALTH INSURANCE SCAMS**

Fake calls or emails requesting Medicare numbers or billing for services never provided

# **Tech Support Scams**

• Pop-ups or calls claiming your device has a virus and offering to "fix" it remotely (and steal your information).

# **Grandparent Scams**

 A caller poses as a grandchild in trouble needing emergency money—often urging secrecy.

#### **Romance Scam**

• Fake online relationships that lead to requests for money.

#### **Sweepstakes & Lottery Scams**

• Claims of a big win—but you must pay fees to claim your prize. Real prizes don't ask for money up front.

# **Phony Charities**

• Scammers use heart-tugging stories to solicit fake donations, especially after natural disasters.

## **Home Repair Scams**

 Unsolicited offers to do repairs, asking for cash up front and disappearing or doing poor work.



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