

SCAMMERS ARE TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE FEARS SURROUNDING CORONAVIRUS AND YOUR NEED TO KEEP YOURSELF, YOUR CUSTOMERS AND EMPLOYEES INFORMED. **BEWARE OF THESE METHODS:**

PHISHING EMAILS

With news coverage of the virus, scammers are using Phishing emails to obtain PII.

What to Do:

- Watch for typos and spelling mistakes.
- Check the Sender address is genuine
- Inspect links in emails for unusual links



FAKE VACCINES

There is currently **NO** vaccine for COVID-19. Scammers offer fake treatments for the virus

What to Do:

- Do not purchase any medication that is advertised as being a treatment for COVID-19
- Check the CDC website for updates on COVID-19 and treatments.

www.cdc.gov/coronavirus



ONLINE SHOPPING AND PROCUREMENT

Scammers are taking advantage of disruptions in the supply chain. Here are some precautions:

What to Do:

- When ordering PEE and uniforms online, always check for the “https” in the URL which shows the website is secure.
- Verify masks approved by the CDC NIOSH website that contains a list of approved manufacturers.
- If you need to purchase gloves, face masks etc., check authenticity and availability with the manufacturer.

www.cdc.gov/niosh/npptl/

ROBOCALLS

Scammers are using robocalls offering everything from Coronavirus treatments to work from home information to get personal information.

What to Do:

- Do not answer or screen calls from unknown numbers.
- Do not press any keys, even if it offers to connect you to a live operator.
- Report suspected Robocalls to the FTC at www.donotcall.gov
- If in doubt, **HANG UP**

CHARITIES

Some scammers are posing as charities looking for donations.

What to Do:

- Research the charity
- How much goes to the charity?
- Look at ratings for the charity
- Never pay by gift card or wire transfer

www.charitywatch.org

VIRUS MAPS

As more people are trying to track the spread of the virus, scammers are creating online maps and update sites that install Malware.

What to Do:

- Use trustworthy sources for the latest updates about COVID-19

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