

# COVID-19

## COMMON CORONAVIRUS SCAMS



### PHISHING EMAILS & COMMUNICATIONS

#### ***What***

Messages sent by US government entities. Subject has your name-password-Covid-19. Unknown. Unsolicited. Sense of urgency.

#### ***Empower Yourself***

Do not click on links in unsolicited emails or from unknown sources. US government agencies never email, text or call you. Never provide personal or financial info. Nothing is urgent. Report fraud.



### CHARITY & CO-FUNDING SCAMS

#### ***What***

Recent surge in number of charitable and cofunding entities. Many are fraudulent, illegitimate, non-existent.

#### ***Empower Yourself***

Do your homework. Research. Is entity legitimate? Don't feel rushed. This is your money. Don't send cash in the mail, gift cards, wire money or bitcoin. Never give confidential information. Scammers like your fears.



### FAKE WEBSITES & SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS

#### ***What***

Scammers are setting up fake websites promising false products, treatments, cures, financial services.

#### ***Empower Yourself***

Is site a secure site? Do not provide personal or financial info. Links may contain malware. Use logic not emotion. Most sites named Covid-19 are fake. There is no Covid-19 vaccine.



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