

VACCINE SCAMS

Protect Yourself from Scammers

Vaccines are rolling out in Pennsylvania. Unfortunately, it is an opportunity for bad people trying to steal our personal, health, or financial information. Here are some ways you can protect yourself from scammers.

How can I stop scammers?

Be alert, know your facts, and report suspicious activity. Don't share your personal, health, or financial information with people you don't know.

No one from a vaccine distribution site, doctor's office, pharmacy, insurance company or Medicare, will call, text, or email you asking for your Social Security, credit card, or bank account number.

Someone is asking for my personal details. Is it ok to give it to them?

Be careful if you're being pressured to share personal information or make a payment immediately.

Always be wary of offers from people you don't know. Especially if they ask you to provide your insurance, banking, or medical information.

Do I have to pay to get a vaccine appointment?

No. If someone asks for a payment to put you on a list, make an appointment for you, or reserve a spot in line, they are a scammer.

Can I buy the vaccine online?

No. You can't buy the vaccine yourself.

You can only get vaccines from federal and state approved vaccine providers. That includes vaccination centers and pharmacies.

What should I do if I think I've been contacted by scammers?

Report suspicious activity to your local law enforcement and the PA Attorney General's Office.

File your report online using the [PA Attorney General's Scam Complaint form](#). Or you can call the Bureau of Consumer Protection at 1-800-441-2555.