

AARP's Fraud Watch Network can help you spot and avoid scams. Sign up for free "Watchdog Alerts", review our scam-tracking map, or call our toll-free helpline, 877-908-3360 if you or a loved one suspect you've been a victim.



FraudWatch Newsletter



Elon Musk Impersonation Scam: A Wyoming resident reported receiving a fraudulent Facebook Messenger message allegedly from "Elon Musk." The message claimed the user had won \$150,000 and a Tesla vehicle initiated because of a comment they made on a Tesla post. It instructed the recipient to contact a WhatsApp number (with a Vermont area code) to confirm their details for delivery. *CyberWyoming Note: This is a common social media celebrity impersonation scam attempting to steal personal information or money. If something seems too good to be true, it probably is. Moving the conversation from Facebook Messenger to a messaging app like WhatsApp is very suspicious, as scammers often try to shift you to less secure platforms. Never share personal info or money with unsolicited contacts, verify offers through official channels, and report suspicious messages.*



Unexpected Upgrade Scam: A Wyoming resident received a phishing email claiming their software was being upgraded to a paid plan, though it didn't specify which software. The message included a link to a fake support website that redirected users to a fraudulent page. It was also sent to hundreds of other recipients without using BCC (blind carbon copy), exposing all email addresses adding a clear red flag and common tactic in phishing scams. *CyberWyoming Note: Always be cautious of mass emails that mention unexpected charges or upgrades, after all, how many people really need to pay for that software upgrade?*

Call The Wyoming Senior Medicare Patrol for assistance with potential Medicare fraud or abuse at 1-800-856-4398

Information and resources to help you with...

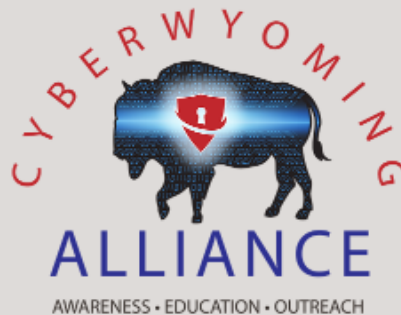
- **Find resources and information around VA benefits, health, caregiving, fraud and employment for retired and active-duty military and their families by going to aarp.org/veterans or calling our toll-free nationwide phone number 1-888-OUR-AARP (1-888-687-2277).**
- **Family caregiving:** Call the Caregiving Resource Center for a free Prepare to Care Guide (1-877-333-5885).
- **Fraud and scams:** Call the AARP Fraud Watch Network Helpline toll-free (1-877-908-3360).

CyberWyoming Alliance

Please report your scams to:

phishing@cyberwyoming.org

307-223-1265



CyberWyoming Alliance's goal is for Wyoming to be the most cyber-secure state in the nation. To do this, we know that cybersecurity efforts have to be local, trusted, and grassroots in nature.



***If abuse, neglect, abandonment,
intimidation or financial exploitation
of an older adult is occurring,
report it to Adult Protective Services.***

Basics of what DFS/APS can do:

- If an abuse/neglect case is reported and opened, an APS Caseworker will respond within 24-72 hours, depending on immediate danger or impending harm.
- APS is mandated by statute to notify law enforcement.
- An APS Caseworker will interview the vulnerable adult to determine the facts of the situation.
- APS works with the vulnerable adult regarding availability of community services he/she is agreeable to receive in order to ensure his/her safety.

Basics of what DFS/APS cannot do:

- APS cannot force anyone to accept help, adults have the right to refuse.
- APS cannot force anyone to reside in a nursing home, APS is committed to keeping vulnerable adults as safe as possible, in their own homes.

How to make a report:

Call (307)777-7564 or click on dfs.wyo.gov/about/contact-us/
This is a link with contact information to each community in Wyoming that has a DFS office. APS abuse/neglect reports can also be made by contacting law enforcement in the community where the abuse is taking place.



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SEPT. 12 - HANNA - TOWN SHOP, 407 LOWE STREET	10A-12P
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SEPT. 18 - NEWCASTLE - FAIRGROUNDS	11A-1P
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SEPT. 20 - KAYCEE - HAROLD JARRARD PARK	9A-11A
SEPT. 20 - ROCK SPRINGS - WHITE MOUNTAIN MALL	11:30A-1P
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