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.



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P-2-P scams: Peer-to-peer (P2P) payment apps like Venmo, Zelle, and Cash App have made sending money between family and friends easier than ever. But consumers beware: while these apps make exchanging money fast and convenient. You might get a message that appears to be from a loved one in trouble who needs you to send money quick through a P2P app. Or you may see a "discount" for an online marketplace product if you make the payment through a P2P app, only to discover the seller is a scammer. Another common scam involves someone "accidentally" sending you money via a P2P service and then asking you to return it. However, their initial payment will later bounce like a bad check, leaving you responsible for any funds you sent back. It's best to use P2P apps to send money to friends, family, and other people you know and trust. These apps do not have the same consumer protections as credit cards. Transactions are like paying cash — instantaneous and usually irreversible. If you receive an unexpected payment, don't accept it and report it to the app provider.



McAfee Make-Believe: A Wyoming resident reported receiving a scam email titled "Payment Reminder" from an unknown Gmail sender named Carl. The email claimed a payment had been successfully processed with the note "Successful Processing of Payment Entry During Fast Run PL Cynthia" and included a fake McAfee Invoice for Lifelock Security. The recipient confirmed they do not use McAfee Antivirus. CyberWyoming Note: Invoice scams are common, often impersonating antivirus companies like McAfee to trick users into paying for services they never purchased. Always verify unexpected invoices directly with the company through official channels and avoid clicking links or opening attachments in suspicious emails.

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'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:

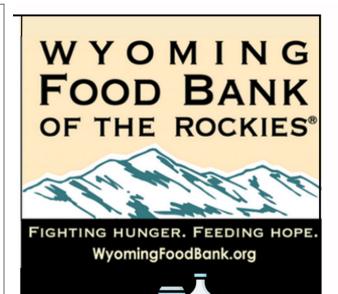
- APS cannot force anyone to accept help, adults have the right to refuse.
- APS cannot force anyone to reside in a nursing home, APS is committed to keeping vulnerable adults as safe as possible, in their own homes.

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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