



## FACE MASK SCAM ALERT

### Beware of deceptive offers of free face masks and face coverings

Protect yourself from falling victim to offers for free face masks or free face coverings in exchange for your Medicare number or other personal information! Face masks are a simple and effective way to prevent the spread of the novel coronavirus (Covid-19). **Please wear a face mask.**

**Medicare doesn't pay for face coverings and Medicare will not call you offering to provide you with one.**

**Remember:** Never give your Medicare card number, your bank account information, your credit card numbers, your Social Security number or any other personal information to anyone you do not know and trust.

There are many websites offering bargains and deals on face masks. The Federal Trade Commission is advising that consumers stay away from companies they do not know and not be taken in by prices that are too good to be true.

For additional guidance call the Massachusetts Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Program at 800-892-0890 or visit [www.MASMP.org](http://www.MASMP.org).

To report a scam email [ReportAScam@MASMP.org](mailto:ReportAScam@MASMP.org) or call 978-946-1243.

