

# CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) CONTACT TRACING

## CONTACT TRACING CALL? 5 THINGS TO KNOW

A contact tracer from your state health department might call if you've been exposed to COVID-19. **But scammers are pretending to be contact tracers, too. Here's how you can spot the scam.**



### **REAL CONTACT TRACERS WON'T ASK YOU FOR MONEY.**

Only scammers insist on payment by gift card, money transfer, or cryptocurrency.



### **CONTACT TRACING DOESN'T REQUIRE YOUR BANK ACCOUNT OR CREDIT CARD NUMBER.**

Never share account information with anybody who contacts you asking for it.



### **LEGITIMATE CONTACT TRACERS WILL NEVER ASK FOR YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER.**

Never give any part of your Social Security number.



### **YOUR IMMIGRATION STATUS DOESN'T MATTER, SO REAL TRACERS WON'T ASK.**

If they do, you can bet it's a scam.



### **DO NOT CLICK ON A LINK IN A TEXT OR EMAIL.**

Doing so can download malware onto your device.

Talking to a real contact tracer helps stop the spread of COVID-19. Reporting scammers helps stop them, too. **Report fake contact tracers to your state and at [ftc.gov/complaint](https://ftc.gov/complaint).** For more information about contact tracing, visit your state health department's website and [ftc.gov/coronavirus/scams](https://ftc.gov/coronavirus/scams)