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## Protect Yourself From Fraud With These Tips From the Oregon Department of Justice, Cover Oregon, and the Oregon Insurance Division

Thousands of individuals, families and small businesses in Oregon are getting ready to sign up for health insurance and financial help through Cover Oregon--a new online marketplace where Oregonians can compare and enroll in medical and dental insurance that fits their needs and budget, and access financial help--this fall. Starting Oct. 1, individuals and small businesses will be able to apply for health insurance through an agent or community partner, including Tribal organizations, who has been certified with Cover Oregon. Later in October, Oregonians



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will be able to apply online without the assistance of community partners or agents, if desired.

With any new high-profile program, there are scam artists who take advantage of change or confusion. Cover Oregon, the Oregon Department of Justice and the Oregon Insurance Division warn that people may pose as Cover Oregon representatives to collect fraudulent fees, sell fake insurance or steal personal identity. Some imposters may prey on the elderly by asking for personal information because of upcoming changes to Medicare.

To stay safe, read and share these tips <a href="http://ow.ly/pzACI">http://ow.ly/pzACI</a>.







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