

#### County of San Bernardino Department of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS)

# SCAM ALERT

# Scam: Medicare Fraud Target: Medicare Customers

Through the Affordable Care Act, a new Federal law strengthens and expands fraud prevention efforts. Fraud occurs anytime anyone other than you uses your Medicare benefits.

## Scam artists use every opportunity to get your personal information!

### To protect yourself from Medicare fraud:

- Protect your Medicare and Social Security cards
- Keep your Medicare and Social Security cards in a safe place
- Do not give out your numbers over the telephone
- Only show your Medicare card to known medical staff

If you believe you may be a victim of or have observed Medicare fraud, report it immediately by:

- Telephone: 1-800-447-8477
  - TTY: 1-877-486-2048
- E-mail: hhstips@oig.hhs.gov
- Internet:
- U.S. Mail:
- http://oig.hhs.gov/report\_fraud/OIGFraudForm.asp HHS Tips Hotline
- P. O. Box 23489

Washington, DC 20026

If you think you may be a victim of a scam, contact San Bernardino County Adult Protective Services (APS) at 877-565-2020, or your local police department.