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STOP SCAMMERS

All too often, older Americans are the target of fraudulent scams trying to take their money. Fortunately, when scammers try to pick your pocket through your phone, you can protect yourself. Here's how: Watch out for robocalling; that is, computerized messages that may sound human. Never give important personal information over the phone. Decline any prize offers that require up-front payment. For more tips, visit Philips LifeLine at lifeLine--s-y-s--dot--com and read Doctor Marion's "Guide to Avoiding Elder Fraud."