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AVOID SCAMS AND FINANCIAL ABUSE

Financial abuse and scams cost seniors over three billion dollars each year—but you can protect yourself. Here are hints that can help: Don't share personal information with strangers. Don't sign any documents unless you understand them and have read them fully. Before making any major financial decision, speak with trusted friends, family or professionals. For more tips on avoiding scams and financial abuse, call the Elder-care Locator—a free, public service of the U-S Administration on Aging—at (800) 6-7-7--1-1-1-6 or visit elder-care-dot--gov.