

THE GRANDPARENT SCAM-CHEAT SHEET

1. You get a phone call from someone pretending to
be a relative or grandchild needing money, or you
get a phone call from someone saying they are
from some government agency like Medicare, or a
mortgage company, or other company asking for
money. They could ask you to wire it, mail it or
even say they will come to your house and pick it
up.
2.Do Not Agree to Give them Money!! Hang up the
phone and call a family member
at
and let them know what
just happened. This will ease your mind if you are
worried something may be wrong with a family
member.
3. If a mistake was already made and you may have
given out information or agreed to get them
money, follow these steps.
• Call your family
member:
at
• If someone may be coming to your house call 911.
Call the police.



 If you wired money call the bank to stop the transfer. Bank Phone Number:
4. Report the Scam: Have a friend or family member help you file the complaint.
 You can report the complaint here: FTC.gov/complaint. File a complaint with IC3 Financial Fraud Enforcement Task Force American Association of Retired Persons Looks Too Good To Be True
Important Phone Numbers: Medicare: 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). FTC Scam Complaint: FTC's Consumer Response Center at 877-382-4357. Other Phone Numbers I May Need: