

# CYBERWELLNESS<sup>SM</sup> FRAUD ALERT

## **IMPORTANT:**

Please read and act to keep your accounts safe

Recently we're seeing two different phone scams being perpetrated against our customers resulting in fraud – here's what you need to know and do to protect your accounts.

### What to know



#### **Remote Access Scams**

Criminal claims to be from a well-known company and requests remote access to your computer, wanting you to believe you have a serious problem, e.g., a virus. Once on your computer, they install malware that captures all your keystrokes; or, they often ask you to pay a ransom or attempt to launder money through your account

#### **Imposter Scams**

Criminal calls you purporting to be from Fidelity Investments or another financial company, e.g., a bank, and requests you read back to them a one-time passcode that the criminal has generated through fraudulent web activity, e.g., a password reset.

# Protect yourself



- No reputable institution will ever call you and request remote computer access or your account access credentials. If you get a call, hang up.
- If you receive a pop-up warning on your computer, do not call the number. Real security warnings never ask you to call a phone number.
- Never give away your passcode or password to anyone else.
- If you think your computer has a problem, update your security software and run a scan.
- If you're seeking technical support, go to a company you **know and trust**.
- <u>Report</u> it to the <u>Federal Trade Commission</u> and potentially affected account institutions

## Resources to educate yourself



Fraud Alert Credit Freeze: Equifax 800-525-6285 Experian 888-397-3742 TransUnion 800-680-7289



Federal Trade
Commission How to
Spot, Avoid and Report
Tech Support Scams



For additional tips and resources, visit our Security Resources



