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CYBER THREATS	YES	NO	CYBER THREATS (CONTINUED)	YES	NO
> Do you use the same password to log into multiple websites? If so, consider making unique passwords for each website you log into or use a password manager.			Do you download apps to your phone? If so, consider researching all apps and/or app developers before you install them and give them permission to use your data.		
Do you need to review if you are using two-factor authentication to log into websites?			Cybercriminals can build legitimate-looking apps that can steal your data and monitor your phone's actions.		
Do you use common phrases, words, or personal information in your passwords? If so, consider making passwords that are harder to guess.			 data and monitor your phone's actions. If you have minor children, do you need to take steps to protect them online? If so, check privacy settings on their social media accounts and talk with them about issues raised in this checklist. If you are a business owner, do you need to create a cybersecurity plan for your business? If so, ensure that policies are in place for business operations (such as a confirmation call before electronic transfers occur). Has your data been stolen because of a third-party data breach? If so, consider the following: Freeze your credit by contacting the three major credit bureaus. 		
> Do you share your login credentials with other people?					
> Do you need to update your browser, anti-virus software or operating system? If so, cybercriminals may be able to access your computer.			cybersecurity plan for your business? If so, ensure that policies are in place for business operations (such as a confirmation call before electronic transfers occur).		
> Do you receive unsolicited emails asking you to click on links or download attachments? If so, you may be subject to phishing scams, where you are lured into clicking links or opening attachments. Instead of clicking any links, navigate to the page on your own to avoid being redirected to a compromised site. Do not open any attachments.			breach? If so, consider the following:		
Are images in emails set to download to your computer automatically? If so, consider turning this feature off as cybercriminals can use code embedded in images to gain access to your computer.			COMMON SCAMS	YES	NO
Do you share lots of your personal information on social media sites? If so, consider making your social media accounts private where possible. This makes it more difficult for anyone you do not know to see what you have posted. Some cybercriminals will look			Have you received calls from someone claiming to be from a government agency offering relief payments due to COVID-19? If so, this could be a scam. Do not provide them with any information.		
on these sites for key information (place of birth or mother's maiden name) that can aid them in resetting passwords associated with your accounts.			Have you received calls asking for personal information? If so, call the business or organization back using a number you know to be accurate.		
Have you received odd requests or links from friends or family? If so, consider calling the sender to verify the email before clicking anything in the email. The sender's email account may have been hacked and the email was not sent by the person you know. (continue on next column)			Have you recently met someone online, and they are asking for money even though you have not met in person? If so, they may be trying to take advantage of you. This is known as a romance scam. Do not provide them with money. (continue on next page)		

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COMMON SCAMS (CONTINUED)	YES	NO
Have you received a phone call from someone claiming to be from the Social Security Administration? If so, they may be trying to convince you to provide them with your Social Security		
Number or bank account information. This is known as a Social Security scam. Do not provide them with any information. Have you received a phone call, email, or text message from		
someone claiming to be from the IRS? If so, this may be a tax scam. The IRS does not contact taxpayers by phone, email, or text message to request or discuss personal or financial information.		
Have you received a phone call from someone claiming to be a Medicare representative? If so, they may be trying to convince you to provide them with your personal information (including your Medicare number). This is known as a Medicare scam. Do not provide them with any information.		
Have you received a phone call from someone claiming to be your grandchild and asking for money? If so, this may be a scam known as a grandparent scam. Contact family members and do not wire funds or otherwise transfer money without reliable confirmation that the caller is indeed your grandchild.		
Have you unexpectedly won a sweepstakes, gift card, or lottery? If so, this may be a scam known as a sweepstakes scam. The scam may involve you having to pay a fee in order to receive the supposed winnings.		
Have you received an email with a username and/or password of yours in the subject line? If so, the cybercriminal may have credentials from a single compromised website but claim to have access to all of your devices and accounts. This is known as a spearfishing scam.		
Have you received a phone call from someone claiming to be from your bank or credit union about stolen money from your account? If so, this may be a scam trying to convince you that you need to act fast to move money and/or assist them in verifying your personal information.		



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