

The Pennsylvania Department of Human Services is advising people who receive SNAP benefits to be aware of scam phone calls.

Nearly two million people in Pennsylvania benefit from SNAP, with nearly <u>261,000 of those people</u> residing in Central Pennsylvania.

The scammers are reportedly calling SNAP beneficiaries and telling them that their benefits are on hold until they verify that they are enrolled in the program and provide their PIN.

According to DHS, the following numbers have been flagged as potential scamnumbers.

1-888-239-7710

1-888-272-8720

1-888-737-6551

The DHS says that they will never ask for personal information via phone call, text message or email.

DHS has asked recipients to submit a tip to their fraud tip line at 844-347-8477 if they become a target of these scams.