



# Friend or fraud? Spot the signs of friendship and romance scams

## Protect your loved ones and yourself

### Anyone can be a victim of fraud

Do you know what tactics scammers use to impersonate others and manipulate your emotions?

Are you concerned about a loved one being vulnerable to friendship or romance scams online?

Learn how to protect your heart and your bank account in the age of romance and imposter scams.

Join Tara Ambrose, vice president and senior manager of client risk prevention at RBC Wealth Management – U.S., for a virtual discussion with our esteemed panel that also includes a Department of Justice fraud prosecutor, a fraud expert from AARP, a leading scam researcher from the University of Minnesota and an industry expert on financial exploitations targeting seniors.

### Discussion topics include:

- How common are friendship and romance scams?
- What are the most common storylines?
- Why do these scams work?
- What are the red flags?
- What steps can you take to protect yourself and prevent being targeted?
- How can you help someone you suspect is a victim of a friendship or romance scam?

**This special one-hour event is virtual and complimentary.**

**Join or pre-register here:**

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### Hosted by:

**Tara Ambrose**

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### Guest speakers:

**Joseph Thompson**

Assistant U.S. Attorney  
Chief, Fraud and Public Corruption Section  
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**Jay Haapala**

Associate State Director for Community Engagement  
AARP Minnesota

**Marti DeLiema, Ph.D.**

Assistant Research Professor in the School of Social Work at the University of Minnesota, interdisciplinary gerontologist with financial fraud expertise

**Ron Long**

Special Counsel, Stevens and Lee

Wealth management industry expert on financial exploitation of seniors and vulnerable adults

### Date and time:

**February 14, 2024**

12 p.m. CT (1 p.m. ET, 11 a.m. MT, 10 a.m. PT)

If you have questions about this event, please email [rbceventsus@rbc.com](mailto:rbceventsus@rbc.com)

We hope you can join us for this RBC Wealth Management-hosted presentation to learn more about protecting yourself and your loved ones from romance scams.



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