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Because many people have run into problems trying to enroll for health insurance under the Affordable Care Act through the official www.HealthCare.gov website, the federal government may send emails to some urging them to try again. But identity thieves may try to take advantage of this by sending emails that look like they're from the government and contain links designed to either infect people's computers with spyware or direct them to a phony website, where they'll be asked to provide their Social Security number and other personal information.

Since it's hard to know for sure if emails are real or from imposters, it's always best not to click on links in them. For information about the new health care law and to enroll, type in address of the federal website yourself or call the toll-free number, 1-800-318-2596 (TTY users can call 1-855-889-4325). Consumer Federation of America has revised its tips about avoiding fraud in the new healthcare marketplace.