Smart Phone Safety Features

Features to Help Keep You Safe & Secure

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The following smart phone features were reviewed in the 6/23/2020 webinar, *Beverly & Beyond: The Best Tips Learned Since Losing My Sweet Mom.* A link to this webinar may be found at NAR.realtor/Safety

iPhone

1. **Emergency SOS Mode.** Check your settings: Go to Settings > Emergency SOS. Do any of the following: Turn Auto Call on or off: When Auto Call is on and you start Emergency SOS, iPhone plays a warning sound, starts a countdown, then calls the emergency services in your region. Turn the countdown sound on or off: When Countdown Sound is on, iPhone plays a warning sound even in silent mode or when Do Not Disturb is turned on.
https://support.apple.com/guide/iphone/make-emergency-calls-iph3c99374c/ios
2. **Medical ID & Emergency Contacts.**
Medical ID. Open the Health app and tap the Summary tab. Tap your profile picture in the upper-right corner. Under Medical Details, tap Medical ID. Tap Edit in the upper-right corner. To make your Medical ID available from the Lock screen on your iPhone, turn on Show When Locked.
Emergency contacts. Open the Health app and tap the Summary tab. Tap your profile picture in the upper-right corner. Under Medical Details, tap Medical ID. Tap Edit, then scroll to Emergency Contacts. Tap the Plus button next to "add emergency contact." Tap a contact, then add their relationship. Tap Done.
https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT207021
3. **Do Not Disturb While Driving Mode.** Tap Turn On While Driving, and it will turn on automatically when your iPhone connects to your car via Bluetooth1 or when your iPhone senses driving motion. You can change the method that your iPhone uses to determine whether you're driving, or turn the feature on manually. https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT208090
4. **Best Practice - Turn on FindMyiPhone.** On your iPhone, open the Settings app. Tap your name. Tap Find My. If you want friends and family to know where you are, turn on Share My Location. Tap Find My [device], then turn on Find My [device].
https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT210400

Android

1. **Add Emergency Information & Contacts to The Lock Screen.** Open your phone's Settings app. Tap About Phone and then Emergency information. Enter the info that you want to share. For medical info, tap Edit information. If you don't see "Edit information," tap Info. For emergency contacts, tap Add contact. If you don't see "Add contact," tap Contacts. To clear your info, tap More and then Clear all.
https://support.google.com/android/answer/9319337?hl=en
2. **Lockdown Mode.** To do this, follow these steps: Open Settings, Go to Security & Location, & Go to Lock screen preferences.
https://www.techrepublic.com/article/how-to-use-the-android-pie-lockdown-mode/#:~:text=Lockdown%20mode%20aims%20to%20protect,code%2C%20password%2C%20or%20pattern.
3. **Best Practice - Activate Find My Device.** Open your device's Settings app. Tap Security and then Find My Device. If you don't see "Security," tap Security & location or Google and then Security. Make sure Find My Device is turned on.
https://support.google.com/accounts/answer/3265955?hl=en