

To Safely Socialize While On-Line:



- _____ Don't use HHS computers to visit social networking sites
- _____ Think about how different sites work before deciding to join
- _____ Think about keeping some control over the information you post (restrict access to a select group of people)
- _____ Keep your information to yourself (don't share: full name, SSN, phone number, bank account)
- _____ Make sure your screen name doesn't say too much about you (don't use age or hometown)
- _____ Post only information that you are comfortable with others seeing – and knowing about you
- _____ Remember, once you post information online, you can't take it back
- _____ Consider not posting your photo
- _____ Flirting with strangers online could have serious consequences
- _____ Be wary if a new online friend wants to meet you in person
- _____ Trust your gut if you have suspicions

For more information, refer to OnGuard Online at <http://www.onguardonline.gov>