

I-CARE CAN LEND A HAND!

To get help with your **Medicare** questions, call the Area Agency on Aging that serves your county and ask for an **I-CARE** or **FRAUD** counselor. The telephone number for each region is listed in this brochure.

Counselors can also be reached at **I-CARE's** statewide toll free number.

1-800-868-9095

For MediGap comparisons and companies ratings, call the South Carolina Department of Insurance.

1-800-768-3467

Information is available on the Internet at:

www.aging.sc.gov

www.Medicare.gov

or

by calling

1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)

The I-CARE program is funded through a grant from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and the U.S. Administration on Aging.

I-CARE COUNSELORS CAN:

- Participate in health fairs and local Medicare events.
- Review Medicare information and assist with enrollment.
- Explain MediGap and Medicare Advantage Plan insurance options.
- Assist you with reporting cases of suspected Medicare fraud.
- Help you understand and review a Medicare Summary Notice.
- Assist you with Medicare Savings and "Extra Help" applications to pay Medicare premiums.
- Provide free handbooks or brochures about Medicare and other options.
- Make appropriate referrals.
- Give objective information in complete confidence - **FREE** of charge.

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Do you have Medicare health insurance questions?

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(803) 734-9900

Medicare & You

The knowledge to make good decisions!!

- What does Medicare Prescription Drug coverage do for me?
- Do I have enough health insurance?
- When are Medicare's open enrollment periods?
- What is Low-Income Subsidy (LIS)?

I-CARE is an insurance counseling and assistance program for people on Medicare sponsored by the Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging and the South Carolina Department of Insurance.

I-CARE provides up-to-date, accurate information on appropriate health insurance for seniors and disabled persons.

I-CARE counselors are not affiliated with any insurance company. They do not sell or promote any insurance products.

I-CARE counselors are trained and certified to provide information on:

Medicare
Medicare Part D Plans
MediGap & Advantage Plans
Medicare & Medicaid Fraud
Medicare Savings Programs
Long-term Care Insurance



I-CARE Counselors, located in the Area Agency on Aging that serves your county, will answer your questions at
NO CHARGE.

Region 1: Appalachia - Greenville, SC
Phone: 864-242-9733; 1-800-434-4036
Serving: Anderson, Cherokee, Greenville, Oconee, Pickens, and Spartanburg

Region 2: Upper Savannah - Greenwood, SC
Phone: 864-941-8069; 1-800-922-7729
Serving: Abbeville, Edgefield, Greenwood, Laurens, McCormick, and Saluda

Region 3: Catawba - York, SC
Phone: 803-329-9670; 1-800-662-8330
Serving: Chester, Lancaster, York, and Union

Region 4: Central Midlands - Columbia, SC
Phone: 803-376-5390; 1-877-744-5130
Serving: Fairfield, Lexington, Newberry, and Richland

Region 5: Lower Savannah - Aiken, SC
Phone: 803-508-7033; 1-866-845-1550
Serving: Aiken, Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Calhoun, and Orangeburg

Region 6: Santee-Lynches - Sumter, SC
Phone: 803-775-7381; 1-800-948-1042
Serving: Clarendon, Kershaw, Lee, and Sumter

Region 7: Pee Dee - Hartsville, SC
Phone: 843-383-8632; 1-866-505-3331
Serving: Chesterfield, Darlington, Dillon, Florence, Marion, and Marlboro

Region 8: Waccamaw - Georgetown, SC
Phone: 843-546-8502; 1-888-302-7550
Serving: Georgetown, Horry, and Williamsburg

Region 9: Trident - Charleston, SC
Phone: 843-529-3680; 1-800-894-0415
Serving: Berkeley, Charleston, and Dorchester

Region 10: Lowcountry - Yemassee, SC
Phone: 843-726-5536; 1-877-846-8148
Serving: Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton, and Jasper