

Medicare Fraud Prevention Week



JOIN THE SMP TO PREVENT, DETECT, & REPORT MEDICARE FRAUD!



Beneficiaries

Protect your Medicare number like you would your banking information.



Families & Caregivers

Help your loved ones create a Medicare.gov account. Remind them to open and review their statements when they come.



Partner Agencies

Share SMP information on social media. Invite the SMP to speak.



Health Care Professionals

Talk to patients about health care-related scams.



Community

Look out for your older neighbors.

ABOUT THE SMP!

The Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) is ready to provide you with the information you need to PROTECT yourself from Medicare fraud, errors, and abuse; DETECT potential fraud, errors, and abuse; and REPORT your concerns.



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Senior Medicare Patrol

Preventing Medicare Fraud

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MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES

Protect your Medicare number like you would your banking information. Scammers use a lot of tactics to get your Medicare number; be aware of their tricks.

If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is, so don't accept it. You are the best defense to protect your Medicare number!

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FAMILIES & CAREGIVERS



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Encourage loved ones to check their Medicare statements for fraud, errors, or abuse and never give out their Medicare number over the phone for any reason.

Help your loved ones create a Medicare.gov account to access their Medicare claims online.

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PARTNER AGENCIES



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Celebrate Medicare Fraud Prevention Week by sharing SMP information on social media, referring clients and consumers to the SMP, and inviting the SMP to speak during an event. Identify ways to collaborate on mission-related topics and information.

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**HEALTH CARE
PROFESSIONALS**



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Celebrate Medicare Fraud Prevention Week by talking to patients about health care-related scams like those related to durable medical equipment (DME), genetic testing, or new, plastic, or chipped Medicare cards.

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COMMUNITY



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Celebrate Medicare Fraud Prevention Week by looking out for your older neighbors. If you overhear someone talking about Medicare, don't be afraid to give information about the local SMP and State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP).

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Medicare beneficiaries beware!

Scammers are calling, claiming your doctor asked them to call.

- They may spoof the caller ID to look like they are calling from your doctor's office.
- If your doctor wants you to have cardiac genetic testing, they will talk to you about it during an appointment.
- If you would like a knee, back, arm, or any other brace, please call your trusted doctor to set up an appointment to talk about your needs.

If you have gotten a call like this, report it to the SMP. Together we can prevent Medicare fraud.

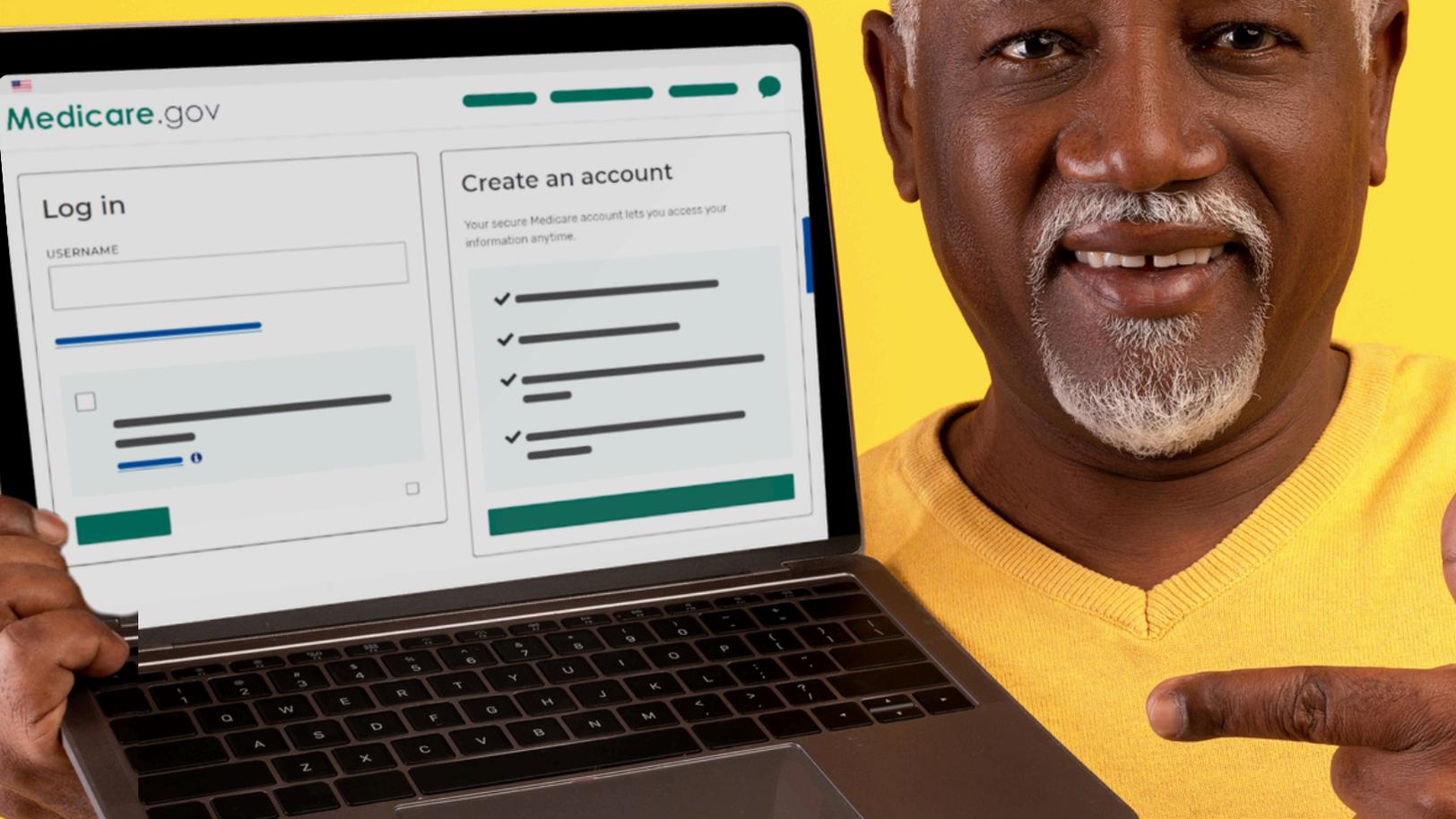
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Medicare Fraud Prevention Week: **CREATE AN ACCOUNT AT MEDICARE.GOV**

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Medicare Fraud Prevention Week: **LEARN TO READ YOUR MEDICARE STATEMENTS**

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Medicare Fraud Prevention Week: **GUARD YOUR MEDICARE CARD**

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