





Medicare Annual Enrollment Period October 15th through December 7th 2018

Whether you have original Medicare, a Medicare Advantage plan, or Part D prescription drug plan, you have one opportunity each year to make changes. This opportunity is Medicare's annual enrollment period. Annual Enrollment begins October 15th and runs through December 7th. Changes made during this time will become effective January 1, 2019.

In the past year you may have changed medications or been diagnosed with a new medical condition. Either of those changes could mean that your current plan will no longer meet your needs. The cost of your Medicare plan might have changed too, and so this is a perfect time for you to review coverage and cost of the current plan and make the necessary changes to protect your health and your budget.

You can compare plans in your area or enroll in a new plan by visiting the www.medicare.gov website or by calling 1-800-Medicare (1-800-633-4227).

You can also receive help locally by contacting the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) to speak to a certified benefits counselor by dialing (210)477-3275. By calling a SHIP counselor you will receive **FREE** and **IMPARTIAL** counseling to help you make your decision.

Helpful numbers:

210-477-3275 Alamo Service Connection <u>www.askasc.org</u>

1-800-252-9240 State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) for Texas Certified Benefits Counselor

1-800-633-4227 Medicare www.medicare.gov







Need Help with

Medicare Annual Enrollment?

We can explain your options.

A Certified Benefits Counselor from AACOG's Bexar Area Agency on Aging can explain your options for prescription drug plans, Medicare Advantage plans and Medicare supplements. Call the Alamo Service Connection at (210) 477-3275 for more information, or to schedule your appointment at a center near you today!

Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG) **Bob Ross Senior Center (District 8) Doris Griffin Senior Center (District 7) Good Samaritan Center GRASP - Greater Randolph Area Services Program** Normoyle Community/Senior Center (District 5) **North East Senior Center (District 10)** Palacio Del Sol Senior Apartments SAPL Bazan Branch Library SAPL Brook Hollow Branch Library **SAPL Carver Branch Library** SAPL Cody Branch library **SAPL Collins Garden Branch Library SAPL Cortez Library SAPL Forest Hills SAPL Mission Branch Library** SAPL Pan American Library **SAPL Parman Branch Library SAPL Schaefer Branch Library** SAPL Thousand Oaks Branch **Southside Lions Senior Center (District 3)** St. Mathews Catholic Church (Parish Hall)

Call 210-477-3275 to schedule your appointment!

Medicare enrollment is October 15 – December 7, 2018. For more information on Medicare, please visit www.medicare.gov