

"EXPERIENCE"

May 15, 2022

Schoharie County Office for the Aging 518-295-2001

*"When someone says, "stop living in the past"
I say, "but the music was so much better back then."*

AARP Defensive Driving Class IS BACK!

Registration Required: June 9, 2022, from 9:30AM to 4:00PM,
Course fee \$25.00 AARP Members, \$30.00 Non-AARP Member.
Payment by check made out to AARP is strongly preferred. Exact
Cash amounts are also accepted. Bring Driver's License &
AARP Card if member. There will be a 30-minute lunch break.
Please arrive 15 to 30 minutes early for registration process.
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Medicare Advantage and Part D marketing rules

Insurance companies selling Medicare private plans must follow certain rules when promoting their products. These rules are meant to prevent plans from presenting misleading information about a plan's costs or benefits, also known as marketing violations.

Medicare private plans are allowed to conduct certain activities. For instance, companies can market their plan through direct mail, radio, television, and print advertisements. Agents can also visit your home if you invite them for a marketing appointment.

However, insurance agents cannot:

- Call you if you did not give them permission to do so
- Visit you in your home, nursing home, or other place of residence without your invitation
- Provide gifts or prizes worth more than \$15 to encourage you to enroll (gifts or prizes that are worth more than \$15 must be made available to the general public, not just to people with Medicare)
- Disregard federal and state consumer protection laws for telemarketing, the National Do-Not-Call Registry, or do-not-call-again requests (you can register online for the National Do-Not-Call Registry or by calling from the number you wish to register)
- Market their plans at educational events or in health care settings (except in common areas)
- Sell you life insurance or other non-health products at the same appointment (known as cross-selling), unless you request information about such products
- Use the term "Medicare-endorsed" or suggest that their plan is a preferred Medicare plan
 - Plans can use Medicare in their names as long as it follows the plan name (for example, the Acme Medicare Plan) and the usage does not suggest that Medicare endorses that particular plan above other Medicare plans
- Imply that they are calling on behalf of Medicare

Tai Chi is back! Starting on May 2, we will host classes in our Community Room at 1PM Every Monday and Wednesday for 8 weeks. Come Join Us!

Office for the Aging has a Medical Equipment loan closet (Walkers, canes, commodes, wheelchairs, etc.) on loan at NO charge to all ages.

Tech Savvy: Smartphone Help Day at the Library*:

Thursday, May 12, 1-3pm and Tuesday, June 14, 12-2pm. Sign up for an appointment, bring your questions and get help from an expert! <https://bit.ly/SmartphoneHelpDay> 518-295-7127.