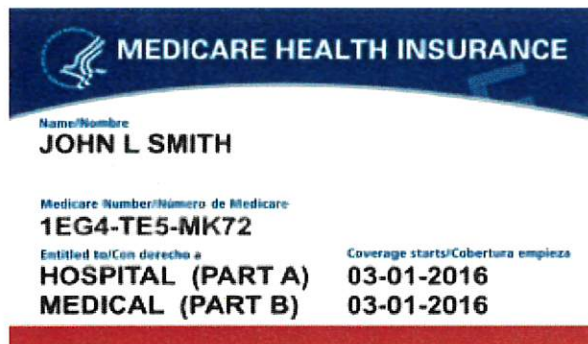




## MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT IS OCTOBER 15th –December 7th

During this time it is important to review your current health and drug plans to see if you should stay or switch plans.

Contact your local SHIP Counselor to schedule an appointment for a FREE comparison of Medicare and drug plans in RI. Please bring your Original Medicare Card and a list of your prescriptions to the appointment. Ask your doctor(s) if they accept Original Medicare 100% or a particular Medicare Advantage Plan.



## MORE QUESTIONS?

Contact us for more information.  
Ask about how to save on your Part B and prescription drug costs today!

## LOCAL STATE HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM (SHIP) Counselors:

### Warwick Senior Services

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### Warwick Senior Services

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### West Warwick Senior Services

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## Need help with Medicare Part B or Part D Prescription Drug Costs?



## East Greenwich Senior Services, Warwick Senior Services and West Warwick Senior Services in collaboration with Westbay Community Action

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### Medicare Premium Payment Program (MPP)

-helps pay Medicare deductibles, coinsurances and the monthly Part B premium.

### “Extra Help” Program

-reduces the costs of Medicare Part D premiums, deductibles and coinsurances.

In addition to these programs there are preventative and wellness benefits covered under Medicare Part B (e.g. screenings, wellness visit, local exercise and help programs) to save you long term out-of-pocket medical costs.

***Please see the reverse side of this pamphlet for contact information for local State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) counselors.***

### APPLYING IS EASY!

You can have either standard Medicare or a Medicare Advantage Plan.

#### Medicare Premium Payment Program Guidelines

##### Gross Monthly Income

< \$1469 single  
< \$1980 married

##### Assets

< \$7970 single  
< \$11,960 married

#### Extra Help Program Guidelines

##### Gross Monthly Income

< \$1630 single  
< \$2198 married

##### Assets

< \$9470 single  
< \$14,790 married

### Medicare Part B

### Preventative Benefits

Medicare beneficiaries should be aware of preventative benefits with ***NO out-of-pocket costs to you.*** The following services are just ***SOME*** of the benefits Medicare offers:

- ♦ “Welcome to Medicare “ preventative visit
- ♦ Annual wellness visit
- ♦ Cardiovascular screening
- ♦ Diabetes Screening/self management training
- ♦ Medicare Diabetes Prevention Program
- ♦ Flu and Pneumonia Shots
- ♦ Colorectal Cancer Screening
- ♦ Mammograms
- ♦ Bone Density Measurements
- ♦ Obesity Screening and Counseling
- ♦ Glaucoma Tests
- ♦ Tobacco use Prevention Cessation

**NOTE:** Additional provider tests or services could add costs. You must meet coverage criteria; be sure to check with your medical provider for more information before you participate in these or other tests and services.