HICAP Monthly Newsletter



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Upcoming April Events

See where HICAP will be next month:

Picayune Rancheria of the Chukchansi Indians at Chukchansi Casino and Resort

3 Part Series:

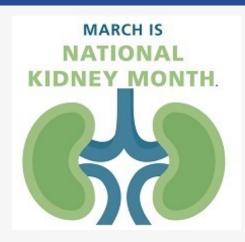
How to Get Started with Medicare
When:
Monday, 4/11/22
Time:

11am -12pm

Understanding Your Medicare Coverage Options When: Tuesday, 4/19/22 Time: 12pm- 2pm

Learn How to Prevent,
Detect, and Report
Medicare Fraud and
Identity Theft with
Senior Medicare Patrol
When:
Monday, 4/25/22
Time:
12pm-1pm

Fresno American Indian Health Project: Mono, North Fork Rancheria WISE Elder Support



Take a minute and imagine 7 adults that you know.....

The National Kidney Foundation estimates that 37 million Americans suffer from kidney disease, which equals to one in seven adults.

Now, which of those seven imagined do you think possibly have kidney disease? Many do not even know that they suffer from it. Kidney disease is considered the most underrecognized public health crisis.

In 1972, Medicare benefits were extended to cover the high cost of medical care for individuals suffering from permanent kidney failure also known as *End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD)*.

Eligibility for Medicare coverage based on ESRD works differently than other types of Medicare. To this day, kidney failure is one of only two medical conditions that gives **Group** When:

Thursday, 4/14/22 Time: 1pm-2:30pm



HICAP Innovation

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people the option to enroll into Medicare without a two-year waiting period, regardless of age.

When does this coverage begin? Can I coordinate my benefits? Does this type of Medicare coverage end if I stop treatment...... These are all questions that HICAP counselors are able to assist you with. If you are a Medicare beneficiary and would like to learn more about your coverage options please give HICAP a call!

Monday – Friday, 8am – 5pm (559) 224-9117



Senior Medicare Patrol:

Annual SMP and VCRC Shredding Event





Your Fresno-Madera SMP Liaisons from left to Right: Laura, Jennifer, Jean, Maria, and Dinora

The SMP and VCRC inaugural shredding event on March 12th was a success!! We had 21 amazing staff and volunteers assist 132 seniors and caregivers securely shred their personal documents.

This event brought Medicare fraud and identity theft awareness to both Fresno and Madera communities. We advertised in the Fresno Bee, completed a Public Service Announcement on 5 radio stations, and sent out thousands of emails encouraging attendance.

Our participants stated how happy they were with the event and look forward to returning next year.

Please contact HICAP if you are interested in volunteering or would like to participate next year at (559) 224-9117.



Our wonderful volunteers from left to right: Miranda, Shama, Sam, Charity, Tina, Michelle E., Matt, Paul, Frank, Michelle D., Kenneth, Jean, Dinora, Sandra, Jennifer, Laura, Mayra, Gina, Maria, and Alexsandra (Stan is taking the picture)



Paul with Guardian Mobile Shredding Inc. was so helpful and considerate of our participants!!

























A **Huge** thank you to our SMP shredding event supporters and contributors!!!!!















































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HICAP is a program of the Valley Caregiver Resource Center and we would like to invite you to participate in following fundraising opportunity:



We welcome interested parties to contact Executive Director, Michelle DiBuduo to learn more about how you can volunteer, donate, or sponsor one of our upcoming events.

Executive Director: Michelle DiBuduo

Phone: (559)224-9154

Email: mdibuduo@valleycrc.org

We are always here to help and share our services! **Best Wishes, from the**

Fresno/Madera HICAP Team□

Maria, Laura, Dinora, Jean, Gyan, Wayne C., Wayne M. and Jennifer



For program updates and more information, please visit our website: https://valleycrc.org/hicap-program/

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