## HICAP Monthly Newsletter



Free Service to Medicare Beneficiaries

### May Issue 2022

Upcoming June Events See where HICAP will be next month:

32nd Annual Fresno Rainbow Pride Parade and Festival <u>HICAP Services and</u> <u>VCRC services shared at</u> resource table When: Saturday, 6/04/22 Time: 11am-3pm

Resources for Independence Central Valley (RICV) Virtual Presentation HICAP Services and Medicare Basics When: Monday, 6/13/22 Time: 10:30am-11:30am

Kaiser Social Services Department Virtual Presentation HICAP Services and Medicare Basics When: Tuesday, 6/14/22 Time: 10am-11am

Tenant Housing Resource Fair HICAP Services and

#### A Very Special HICAP Birthday...yay!



Happy Birthday to *Mr. Wayne McMillen*! HICAP would not be what it is today without you. Your advocacy for our Medicare beneficiaries is admirable and we are lucky to

have you on our team. We hope you had a very special day celebrating with your friends and family.

#### Social Media in May:

HICAP would like to encourage our beneficiaries to follow us on social media. HICAP counselor, Maria Martinez creates our wonderful HICAP posts. Below are the ones shared in May in case you missed them. VCRC Services shared at resource table When: Wednesday, 6/15/22 Time: 8am-1:45pm



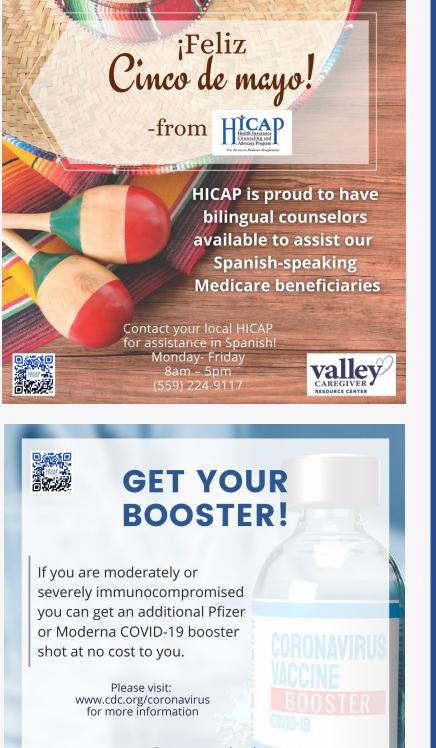
Pictures from our May Presentations











Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program Contact your local Fresno-Madera HICAP for updates: (559) 224-9117

AREGIVE

If you are interested in scheduling a HICAP presentation please contact us at (559) 224-9117.

#### MAY IS ASIAN AMERICAN & PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH

The month-long observance recognizes the influence and contributions of Asian Americans and Pacific Islander Americans to the achievements and culture of the United States.

#### HICAP offers literature in multiple languages to assist all of our Medicare beneficiaries.

CONTACT YOUR LOCAL HICAP FOR ASSISTANCE MONDAY- FRIDAY 8AM - 5PM (559) 224-9117









HICAP can assist you with your Medicare Ambulance Appeal!!

### Medicare Ambulance Coverage

Ambulance services provide immediate treatment from EMTs while transporting a patient to a hospital.



Do you have a bill for an ambulance that you do not feel like you should have to pay? Our registered HICAP counselors can assist you with appealing your bill. Give HICAP a call! *Our services are free, confidential, and unbiased.* 

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

# Senior Medicare Patrol



## **Medicare Beneficiary Hospice Alert**

SMP recommends that beneficiaries should:

- Be sure their doctor has assessed their condition.
- Be sure <u>their doctor</u> has certified that they are <u>terminally ill</u> and expected to live six months or less if the disease runs its normal course.
- Never accept gifts in return for hospice services and be wary of "toogood-to-be-true" offers.
- Report quality-of-care complaints to their local SMP

If you feel that you or someone you know may have fallen victim to a Hospice Scam call your local HICAP. All of our counselors also serve as SMP liaisons and can take your report.

Call HICAP Monday-Friday 8am - 5pm

HICAP is a program of the Valley Caregiver Resource Center and we would like to invite you to participate in the 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: <u>mdibuduo@valleycrc.org</u>

HICAP would like to invite you to participate in the upcoming Open House for Valley Caregiver Resource Center's Adult Day Program, OASIS:



Interested parties may contact Meghan Velasquez for more information.

Phone: (559)224-9154 Email: mvelasquez@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: <u>https://valleycrc.org/hicap-program/</u>

Contact Information: HICAP Program Manager, Jennifer Webb Phone: (559) 224-9117 or (800) 434-0222 Email: jwebb@valleycrc.org

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