

OSHIIP News This Week: September 25, 2015

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Add to your forms any dollars \$aved for your client – or reply to this message with dollars \$aved.

Or enter your own counseling work at the national [Medicare reporting site](#).

OSHIIP Stats for Week ending September 11, 2015:

- Handled 701 Incoming Calls
- Entered 910 Client Contact Forms
- Conducted 33 Public and Media Events
- \$ Saved Ohioans \$324,238 for the week (\$10,369,933 for the calendar year)

2016 PDP and MA Landscapes: The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) released the landscapes for 2016 Part D Plans and Medicare Advantage Plans. Premiums will remain stable in 2016 with an average MA premium decrease of \$0.31 next year, to \$32.60. Part D Premiums are also stable, with an average of \$32.50 per month. [Here](#) is more information on the premiums and costs of 2016 Medicare Advantage and Part D plans.

In Ohio in 2016:

- 100 percent of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan
- 120 Medicare Advantage plans available
- 27 Medicare Prescription Drug Plans available
- 87 percent of people with Part D have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2015
- 25 percent of people with Medicare Part D get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS)
- \$18.40 is the lowest monthly premium for a prescription drug plan

Medicare and You 2016: CMS is mailing the 2016 *Medicare and You* books to Medicare beneficiaries starting this week. OSHIIP also has copies in house. If you would like some for your organization, please contact Kiki Heimrich at Christine.heimrich@insurance.ohio.gov. The guides come in boxes of 50.

National Training Program You Tube Videos: The CMS National Training Program created new You Tube videos for Open Enrollment: The first one is promoting using the plan finder tool on medicare.gov, and the other one is regarding protecting yourself from enrollment fraud.

[CMS Plan Finder video](#)

[Look out for Enrollment Fraud Video](#)

Good News Story: “Thank you so much for coming in. Your presentation was excellent and the staff really benefited from the education on Medicare and Medicaid. Knowing the difference between the two is so important. There was a ton of great feedback, so I just wanted to tell you how much we truly appreciated you coming today.”

– Thank you Hamilton County volunteer Ann Sutton Burke for all you do for OSHIIP! And sharing your good news story with us.

Register for an OSHIIP Volunteer Refresher Training Webinar: To attend, call 1-877-820-7831 and enter passcode 896960.

Wednesday October 14

Medicare Plan Finder Review

To register for this webinar, click the link below:

10am: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7359030592925920769>

2pm: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7516918263651363073>

Tuesday November 10

Predatory Sales

To register for this webinar, click the link below:

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