



On Tuesday January 27th at 3 p.m. and on Thursday February 5th at 5 p.m. in the auditorium of the Administration Complex a representative from TN SHIP will be here to provide a presentation to those with Medicare, potential Medicare members and for your family that may need information regarding Medicare.

TN SHIP is the State Health Insurance Assistance Program available to help you understand Medicare Benefits. SHIP is a national program that provides free and objective one-on-one counseling, information distribution and assistance to people with Medicare, potential Medicare consumers, their families and other advocates by community-based, grassroots network of local SHIP offices via telephone and face-to-face interactive sessions, public education presentations and programs and media activities.

TN SHIP began in 1992 and since has grown from a one-topic consumer counseling program to one that covers a multitude of topics and issues. Topics typically addressed are on Medicare and Medicaid (TennCare in Tennessee), Medigap, enrollment in Medicare prescription drug plans, (Part D), and the accompanying Low-Income Subsidy, finding help with the cost of prescription drugs during coverage gaps and access to drugs not covered under Part D, Medicare Advantage options, long-term care planning and insurance claims and billing problem resolution, information and referral on public benefit programs, employer and retiree health insurance options for those with Medicare and VA benefits and other military health insurance for those with Medicare.

TN SHIP may not endorse any insurance company, agency, agent or plan—to the extent that we are prohibited from making even the appearance of an endorsement. Whereas, other entities offering education or assistance regarding Medicare are most often motivated by potential sales, the SHIP's goal is solely to help consumers make informed decisions.

The presentation on January 27th and on February 5th will be a group setting with general information to help in answering your Medicare questions. If you cannot attend one of these presentations, please call 1-877-801-0044 to speak with the SHIP counselor in your area or you can reach us via email at [tn.ship@tn.gov](mailto:tn.ship@tn.gov).

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