

OSHIIP News This Week: April 24, 2015

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OSHIIP Stats for Week of April 24, 2015:

- Handled 804 calls
- 1,701 CCFs
- 29 PAMs
- Saved \$154,115 for the week
- Saved \$6,163,657 for the year

April is Alcohol Awareness Month: Did you know that 9% of elderly people with Medicare drink more than 30 drinks a month? The National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism defines “risky drinking” as more than 14 drinks per month for men, and 7 drinks per month for women. It’s the perfect time to remind beneficiaries that Medicare covers [alcohol misuse screening & counseling](#) to provide counseling for people who misuse alcohol.

Medicare Turns 50 in 2015: Medicare was signed into law in 1965. The Kaiser Family Foundation has developed a timeline highlighting some of the major developments of the law through the years. [Click Here for the information.](#)

Survey of Community Dementia Programs and Resources: The Ohio Department of Aging is working to make Ohio a dementia capable state. A dementia capable system has two focal points:

1. To assist individuals who are suffering from dementia, losing their ability to effectively communicate and are unable to provide care for themselves; and
2. To provide resources to the family caregivers who are responsible for caring for their loved ones.

Part of the state plan is to equip communities to respond to the evolving needs of residents living with dementia. To work toward this goal, ODA is conducting a survey to gauge the availability of resources in Ohio. If you represent an organization that is aware of these types of programs in your community, please complete the [survey online](#).

Register for an OSHIP Volunteer Refresher Training Webinar:

To attend, call 1-877-820-7831 and enter passcode 896960.

Thursday, May 14

Medicare and Federal Employee Health Benefits

To register for this webinar, click a link below:

10 AM: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/899158983422868738>

2 PM: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1771795182900361218>

Tuesday, June 23 2pm and Thursday, June 25 10am (*please note, this webinar is offered on two different dates*)

Social Security Updates

To register for this webinar, click a link below:

June 23 2 PM: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4263392985486821122>

June 25 10 AM: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6857678576596427010>

Tuesday, July 28

Part B Provider Outreach & Education: Patsy Schwenk, CGS, Provider Relations Senior Analyst

To register for this webinar, click a link below:

10 AM: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4228219609444467714>

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