

OSHIIP News This Week: August 4, 2017

Send Us Your OSHIIP Reporting Forms

Click below for our EZ forms. Save these files on your computer and use your keyboard to complete. Fax or [email](#) reports to our office for recording.

Please note: EZ forms have been updated to include a section to count contacts with MyCare Ohio client)

- Word forms: [EZ Client Contact \(CCF\)](#), [EZ Public and Media \(PAM\)](#)
- PDF forms: [EZ Client Contact \(CCF\)](#), [EZ Public and Media \(PAM\)](#)

Add to your forms any dollars \$saved for your client or [email us](#) the amount \$saved. Or enter your own counseling work at the national [Medicare reporting site](#).

OSHIIP Stats for the Week Ending 7/29/17

- Calls: **625**
- CCF's: **1,530**
- PAM's: **14**
- \$Saved: **\$192,041**
- CY \$Saved: **\$10,364,667**

Special Notice: NORC at the University of Chicago is partnering with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) of the Department of Health and Human Services to carry out the Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey (MCBS). This survey is completely voluntary. For more information visit www.mcbs.norc.org

Cleveland Clinic and CareSource Possibly Terminating Their Contract: If a client is eligible for Medicaid, and CareSource is their Managed Care provider (MCP), they may have received a letter stating that Cleveland Clinic and CareSource will be terminating their contract as of September 1st. View CareSource [letter here](#).

Medicare Issues Projected Drug Premiums for 2018: This week, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) announced that the average basic premium for a Medicare Part D prescription drug plan in 2018 is projected to decline to an estimated \$33.50 per month. This represents a decrease of approximately \$1.20 below the actual average premium of \$34.70 in 2017. [Read more here](#).

New Medicare Card (formerly known as SSNRI): CMS is removing Social Security Numbers from Medicare cards to help fight identity theft and safeguard taxpayer dollars. To help you find information quickly, CMS designed a new homepage linking visitors to the latest details, including how to [talk to your Medicare patients](#) about the new Medicare Card. Bookmark the [New Medicare Card](#) homepage and [Provider](#) webpage, and visit often, so you have the information you need to be ready by April 1, 2018.

Medicare Check-Up Days: OSHIIP will host large public events across the state to assist beneficiaries in making educated choices for their 2018 health and prescription benefits. [Click here see calendar](#).

Register for the OSHIIP Volunteer Refresher Training Webinars

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

Replay July 24: OSHIIP Webinar – Welcome to Medicare

Anytime: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/recording/1415976747255688194>

August 22: OSHIIP Webinar – VA Benefits

10am: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3044695413207333379>

2pm: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8666360927072574723>

September 13 & September 20: Medicare's Limited Income NET program (LI-NET)

Sept 13, 10am: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4768058944816704258>

Sept 20, 2pm: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8781721688408382210>

October 11: Review of the Medicare.gov plan finder tool and the 2018 Part D plans

10am: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1106824860950539266>

2pm: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3543358021264958466>