

PREVENT MEDICARE FRAUD

SMP Can Help!



Prevent, Detect, Report

Medicare loses an estimated \$60 billion each year due to fraud, errors, and abuse.

Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) can help you, your friends, and neighbors learn how to prevent, detect, and report Medicare fraud.

When you contact us, our trained team will answer your questions and provide guidance in how to resolve your problem. We will provide confidential support to address your concerns.

Look Out For:

- Billing for services or medical supplies that were not provided.
- Misrepresenting a diagnosis, your identity, or other facts to bill Medicare.
- Prescribing or providing excessive or unnecessary tests and services.
- Billing out of pocket for services covered by Medicare.



Tips to Prevent, Detect & Report

- Only share your Medicare or Social Security number with those you trust.
- Only carry your Medicare card when you need it.
- Medicare will not call to get your personal information, they will never ask for money or threaten you.
- Keep a record of all your medical visits and procedures.
- Review your Medicare statements for mistakes like charges you don't recognize or duplicate billing.
- Call your health care provider, Medicare, or your local SMP if you see something suspicious.



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