## New Medicare Card Webinar

May 3, 2018

## Welcome!

#### **SMPs**

SeniorMedicarePatrol

#### **SHIPs**

 State Health Insurance Assistance Program

#### **MIPPAs**

 Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act







**ACL = Administration for Community Living** 

## Today's Presenters

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## Agenda

**New Medicare Cards** 

• Erin Pressley, CMS

SMP and SHIP Reporting – New Medicare Cards

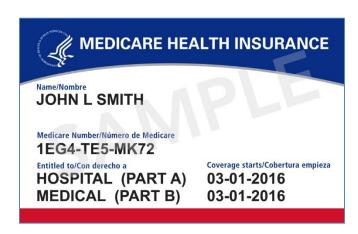
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Resources

Q & A Session



#### **New Medicare Card**



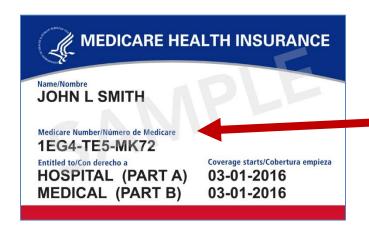
# Information for Partners & Stakeholders

**May 2018** 

#### Background

- The Health Insurance Claim Number (HICN) is a Medicare beneficiary's identification number, used for processing claims and determining eligibility for services across multiple entities (e.g., Social Security Administration (SSA), Railroad Retirement Board (RRB), States, Medicare providers & health plans)
- The Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act (MACRA) of 2015 requires removal of the Social Security Number (SSN)-based HICN from Medicare cards to address current risk of beneficiary medical identity theft
- MACRA requires that CMS mail out new Medicare cards with a new Medicare Number by April 2019
- The new Medicare numbers won't change Medicare benefits. People with Medicare can start using their new Medicare cards right away.

#### New Unique Medicare Number



#### **New Medicare Number**

- New Non-Intelligent Unique Identifier
- 11 bytes
- Key positions 2, 5, 8 & 9 will always be alphabetic

#### Sending New Medicare Cards

- Medicare started mailing new cards in April 2018
  - Newly-eligible beneficiaries will get a card with a unique number, regardless of where they live
  - Existing beneficiaries will get a new card over a period of approximately 12 months
  - Distribution of cards to existing beneficiaries will be randomized by geographic location, with states grouped into one of seven "waves"
- In April, CMS launched <u>Medicare.gov/newcard</u> where people with Medicare can sign up for emails about the card mailing and check the card mailing status in their state
- People with Medicare should use the new card once they get it, but either the SSN-based or the new random alphanumeric-based numbers can be used through December 2019
- Beginning January 1, 2020 only the new card will be usable

### New Medicare Card Mailing

Wave	States Included	Cards Mailing
Newly Eligible	All – Nationwide	April 2018 -
People with Medicare		Ongoing
1	Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland,	Mailing started:
	Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia	May 2018
2	Alaska, American Samoa, California, Guam, Hawaii,	Beginning May
	Northern Mariana Islands, Oregon	2018
3	Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota,	After June 2018
	Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota,	
	Wisconsin	
4	Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire,	After June 2018
	New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont	
5	Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South	After June 2018
	Carolina	
6	Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New	After June 2018
	Mexico, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming	
7	Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri,	After June 2018
	Ohio, Puerto Rico, Tennessee, Virgin Islands	

https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/New-Medicare-Card/NMC-Mailing-Strategy.pdf

#### New Medicare Card Awareness Survey Strategy

#### **Pre-Outreach Baseline: Early January 2018, National Sample**

Between periods of active outreach, awareness levels may decline, so this effort helped establish a new baseline measure

## Implementation Wave 1: Early to Mid April 2018, National + Local Oversample

This survey helps compare awareness as mailings begin to baseline and to later implementation states. Early results indicate that awareness is holding steady from earlier timeframes.

Receipt of the New Card should improve awareness substantially, as direct mail has been shown to be an effective outreach strategy.

#### Implementation Wave 2: Summer 2018, National + Local Oversample

This survey will examine the extent to which alterations in outreach messaging and strategy improve awareness, along with targeted local communications

#### Your Guide for Outreach

#### January – October 2018

- National Outreach with drumbeat messaging, changing over time
- Dial up the outreach and messaging! Card mailing moves to forefront of messaging for people with Medicare through all communications channels.
  - January 25 to Mid-April:
    - Messaging about mailing address accuracy and protection from fraudsters
  - Mid-April October:
    - Intensive earned media and local outreach kicks off, coordinated with card mailing
    - Messaging about when to expect new cards, what to do with old (and new) cards, what to do if you don't receive a card or need help, and being aware of potential scams

#### Your Guide for Outreach (continued)

Specific messaging for people with Medicare

#### January to Mid-April

- New Medicare cards with new Medicare Numbers are coming
- Make sure the Social Security Administration has your current mailing address
- Beware of scam artists contacting you about your new card

#### **Mid-April to October**

- MAILING BEGINS!
- Find out when your card is mailed by visiting Medicare.gov and signing up for email
- What to do if you don't get your card
- Destroy your old card (shred)
- Once your card has been mailed, you can look up your Medicare Number or print a card on <a href="MyMedicare.gov">MyMedicare.gov</a>
- Continue to be alert and watch for fraud

#### Outreach & Education Materials – Fillable Flyers

https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/New-Medicare-Card/Outreach-and-Education/Products-to-share-with-beneficiaries.html





#### Outreach & Education Materials – Updated Widgets









MAILING NOW New Medicare cards with new numbers. Find out when to expect yours.

#NewCardNewNumber





#### Outreach & Education Materials – Graphic & PSA





#### Outreach & Education Materials – Social Media Guide







#### Outreach & Education Materials – New Video



https://youtu.be/Rf9q0dVinF8

#### Stay Connected

#### Medicare.gov/NewCard

New Card destination for people with Medicare. Sign up for email alerts and view map to see where cards are mailing.

#### CMS.gov/NewCard

Top source for providers, partners and stakeholders. Find technical guidance, presentations, and outreach materials.

#### Productordering.cms.hhs.gov

Create an account and order free Medicare brochures, posters, and other education and outreach materials on new Medicare cards and other topics.

Comments and questions are always welcome! Send to: NewMedicareCardSSNRemoval@cms.hhs.gov

## SMP and SHIP Reporting: New Medicare Cards

Stacey Platte, ACL

## SMP Reporting

- Individual Interactions
  - Topic: Select New Medicare
     Cards (without SSNs) and
     other topics as applicable
  - Issue: Often Compromised
     Medicare Number, Scams, or
     No Issue General Education
     Provided
  - For complex issues, please
     Add More Information,
     complete case notes, and
     refer to OIG Hotline, if needed

Individual Interaction				
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Topic(s) Discussed	Consumer Protection Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Employer Health Plan General Fraud, Errors, and Abuse Home Health Care Hospice Medicaid Medical Identity Theft Medicare Advantage Medicare Part A and B Medicare Part D Medigan or Supplemental Insurance New Medicare Cards (without SSNs) SMP Program Information SMP Volunteer Recruitment Social Security TRICARE Veteran's Health Benefits (VA) Other			
Issue(s)	Beneficiary Perpetrated Fraud Billing Error Billing for Services Different From Received Billing for Services Not Provided Compromised Medicare Number Double Billing Enrollment / Disenrollment Issues Kickbacks Marketing Fraud No Issue- General Education Provided Other Fraud, Error, or Abuse Quality of Care Issues Scams			
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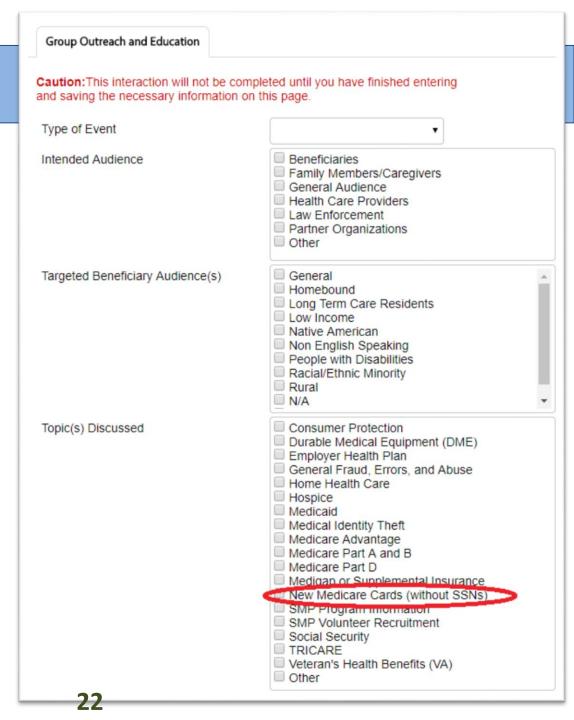
## SMP Referrals

If a beneficiary gave a caller their Social Security Number (SSN) as part of a New Medicare Card scam, please follow the steps for compromised Medicare numbers.

Regardless of whether or not the beneficiary disclosed their SSN, please email <a href="mailto:stacey.platte@acl.hhs.gov">stacey.platte@acl.hhs.gov</a> with the SIRS case number so ACL can inform national partners about these types of scams as soon as possible.

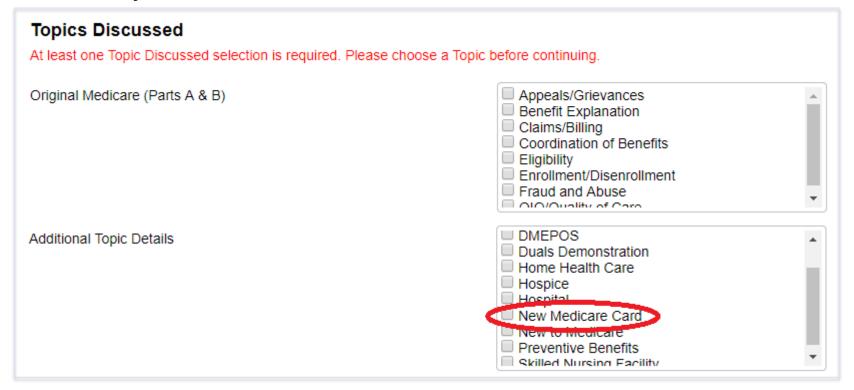
## SMP Reporting

- Group Outreach and Education
  - Topic: Select New
     Medicare Cards (without SSNs) and other topics as applicable
  - Add Individual Interactions separately if they occur after your group outreach session



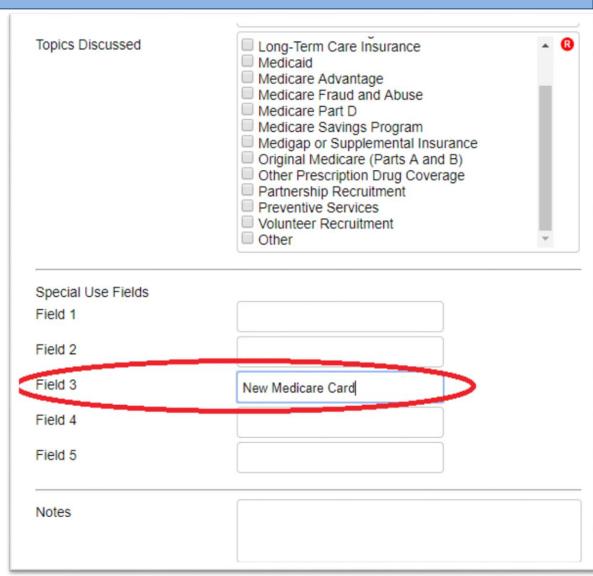
## SHIP Reporting

- STARS Beneficiary Contact Form
  - Topics Discussed: Select New Medicare Card and other topics as applicable
  - For joint SHIP/SMPs, also Send to SIRS if scam or fraud related



## SHIP Reporting, continued

- STARS Group Outreach Form or NPR PAM Form
  - Topics Discussed: SelectOther
  - Special Use Field #3:
     Write in New Medicare
     Card



## 2018 SMP Data

 SMP Individual Interactions and Group Outreach/Education Events related to the New Medicare Cards have significantly increased this year

Month	Individual Interactions	Group Outreach and Education Events	Total Number of People Reached
January	3,105	59	25,058
February	2,386	256	11,146
March	2,208	785	41,147

## SMP Trends

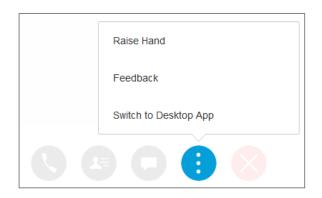
- SMPs nationwide are reporting new Medicare cardrelated scams impacting beneficiaries
  - Scam 1: Scammers call beneficiaries, claiming to be from "Medicare," and tell beneficiaries they need to confirm or provide personally identifiable information (PII) in order to receive a new Medicare card
  - Scam 2: Scammers tell beneficiaries they need to pay to get a new Medicare card and ask for bank account or other payment information, along with PII

## Poll: New Medicare Card Scams

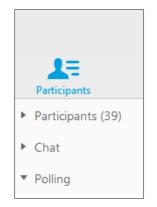
Have you encountered any new Medicare card scams since April 1, 2018? (Select all that apply.)

- ☐ Yes, scammer says they need the beneficiary's PII to send them a new Medicare card
- ☐ Yes, scammer says they need the beneficiary's bank info to pay for their new Medicare card
- ☐ Yes, some other new Medicare card scam
- No

If polling is not available, look for the option to "Switch to Desktop App".



When polling has ended, click the Participants icon.



## **SMP Complex Interaction Contacts**

Help using SIRS and/or analyzing complex cases

Sara Lauer, SMP Resource Center:
 slauer@smpresource.org or SIRS@smpresource.org

Questions about SIRS Training

 Heather Flory, SMP Resource Center: <u>hflory@smpresource.org</u>

Notify ACL of new information on referrals to the OIG Hotline via ACL

- ACL's SMP mailbox: <a href="mailbox"><u>smp@acl.hhs.gov</u></a>
- Do not send the case information via email (send via SIRS).

Notify ACL of all new
Medicare card scams,
regardless of whether or not
the beneficiary disclosed
their SSN

• Stacey Platte, ACL: <a href="mailto:stacey.platte@acl.hhs.gov">stacey.platte@acl.hhs.gov</a>

SIRS technical issues and password reset assistance

 Booz Allen Hamilton Help Desk: Call 301-444-4040 or email <u>BoozAllenSIRSHelpDesk@bah.com</u> for a response within 24 hours.

## Resources

**Heather Flory, The Center** 

## Webinar Resources in the SMP and SHIP Resource Libraries

#### **SMPs**

- Step 1: Login to the SMP Resource Library at www.smpresource.org/ resourcelibrary.
- Step 2: View the "Recent" list or conduct a search
- Tip: Search for keywords "new Medicare card."

#### **SHIPs**

- Step 1: Login at <a href="https://www.shiptacenter.org/login">www.shiptacenter.org/login</a>.
- Step 2: Go to the Resource Library and view the "Recent" list or conduct a search.
  - Tip: Search for keywords "new Medicare card" and select "Exact Match."

## Questions and Answers

## Thank you for participating in today's webinar!

During the Q&A session, the presentation is available for download.



**Questions about the new Medicare cards?** Email:

NewMedicareCardSSNRemoval@cms.hhs.gov

#### Other questions?

- SMPs, email: <a href="mailto:info@smpresource.org">info@smpresource.org</a>
- SHIPs, email: info@shiptacenter.org

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