

The Senior Medicare Patrol is.....

LOOKING OUT FOR YOU

DATE: 2/18/14

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SUBJECT: Misleading Postcards ARE NOT from Medicare

-Hawaii's seniors are getting unsolicited mail such as postcards that look important; but, are designed to get you to provide personal information that can be used to get money out of you and Medicare.

-These mailers almost always mention the word "Medicare" to get your attention. Some say, "2014 Medicare Benefits." They do NOT come from Medicare, and they have no authentic government return address.

-Most cards come from marketing companies that insurance companies or medical supply companies hire to get potential customers for insurance policies or items such as back braces and diabetes testing supplies.

-These mailers use "hot-button" words like "IMPORTANT" or "URGENT." They make you think that you need to reply NOW or suffer a penalty, or lose out on an "EXCLUSIVE" limited-time offer. Some are printed on flimsy paper and do not look official or professional.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

1. Think twice before you reply to a postcard or mailer that mentions the word "Medicare." You could end up getting sales calls or merchandise you don't need.
2. If you receive a postcard or mailer and are unsure if it is valid, contact **Medicare at 1-800-633-4227**, or call the **Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP Hawaii) at 586-7281 or 1-800-296-9422**.

See back side for examples of 2 postcards.



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Two types of postcards: Call back and Mail back

SPECIAL NOTICE: Medicare and Insurance Information

PRSTO FIRST CLASS
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
CHICAGO, IL
PERMIT NO. 8325

DELIVER EXCLUSIVELY TO:

CLAIMS DOCUMENT REGISTERED TO:



WARNING: \$2,000 fine and/or 5 year imprisonment for any person interfering or obstructing with delivery of this letter. (39 USC Section 1702)

URGENT: Read Immediately

DELIVERED BY:

DOCUMENT REGISTERED TO:

NOTICE: Our office is trying to reach you regarding Your Eligibility For
A Proven Medicare and Insurance Back Support System

STATUS: Pending

PENDING Eligibility: Back Support System (verify by phone)

Back Support System Approved By Medicare and Insurance:

- Specialized and Fitted Back Brace
- Approved by Medicare
- Clinically Tested
- Non - Invasive
- Thousands of Customers Use This System
- REDUCE YOUR PAIN**

Toll Free: 1-800-297-8830

RELEASE CODE: 20210-09487
CLAIM DEADLINE: MAY 9, 2013

2014 MEDICARE UPDATE

The President has announced the guidelines for **MEDICARE REFORM**.
How will this change your health care requirements for **HOSPITAL,**
DOCTOR, PRESCRIPTIONS, HOME HEALTH CARE, and LONG TERM CARE
needs?

Seniors need to understand how these proposals will **AFFECT THEM**.
For information on these changes and how they will **AFFECT YOU,**
fill out and return this postage paid inquiry card today

AREAS OF INTEREST:

- () Long Term Care Protection
- () Medicare Supplement Protection
- () Final Expense Protection
- () Fixed Annuities

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Spouse: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Phone: _____
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PLEASE VERIFY ADDRESS AND INCLUDE PHONE #. NOT AFFILIATED WITH OR ENDORSED BY ANY GOVERNMENT AGENCY.



NO POSTAGE
NECESSARY
IF MAILED
IN THE
UNITED STATES

BUSINESS REPLY MAIL

FIRST-CLASS MAIL PERMIT NO. 890 ROCKWALL TX

POSTAGE WILL BE PAID BY ADDRESSEE

SD REPLY CENTER
PO BOX 2528
ROCKWALL TX 75087-9973

