#### Long-Term Care

- Long-term Care Consultations pair a skilled professional with families to discuss communitybased options through a free, in-home consultation.
- Home and Community-based Services help older Ohioans live independently in their own homes.
- Home and Community-based Medicaid Waiver Programs, such as PASSPORT, Choices and the Assisted Living waiver, offer alternatives to nursing home care for Medicaid-eligible seniors.

Call **1-866-243-5678** for more information.

■ Trained Long-term Care Ombudsman professionals and volunteers help long-term care consumers and families make informed choices and resolve problems with service providers.

Call 1-800-282-1206 to volunteer or for more information.

#### Information & Resources

Finer With Age is a television talk show produced by the Department of Aging that airs on publicand cable-access stations statewide. Check local listings for stations and times.

- www.goldenbuckeye.com is your online resource for benefits, services, supports and information for older Ohioans.
- www.benefitscheckup.org helps residents learn about assistance programs for which they may be eligible.
- www.ohiobestrx.org provides access to the state's prescription drug discount program, including sample pricing, pharmacy lookup and application.

# Statewide Toll-free number

1-866-243-5678

Area Agency on Aging Region 9, Inc. Belmont, Carroll, Coshocton, Guernsey, Harrison, Holmes, Jefferson, Muskingum &

Tuscarawas

www.aaa9.org

### Council on Aging of Southwestern Ohio

Butler, Clermont, Clinton, Hamilton & Warren www.help4seniors.org

#### Area Agency on Aging. PSA 2

Champaign, Clark, Darke, Greene, Logan, Miami, Montgomery, Preble & Shelby www.info4seniors.org

#### PSA 3 Area Agency on Aging, Inc.

Allen, Auglaize, Hancock, Hardin, Mercer, Putnam & Van Wert www.psa3.org

#### Area Office on Aging of Northwestern Ohio. Inc.

Defiance, Erie, Fulton, Henry, Lucas, Ottawa, Paulding, Sandusky, Williams & Wood www.areaofficeonaging.com

#### Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc.

**Area Agencies on Aging** 

Ashland, Crawford, Huron, Knox, Marion, Morrow, Richland, Seneca & Wyandot www.agingnorthcentralohio.org

#### Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging

Delaware, Fairfield, Fayette, Franklin, Licking, Madison, Pickaway & Union www.coaaa.org

#### Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc.

Adams, Brown, Gallia, Highland, Jackson, Lawrence, Pike, Ross, Scioto & Vinton www.aaa7.org

#### Area Agency on Aging, District 8

Athens, Hocking, Meigs, Monroe, Morgan, Noble, Perry & Washington www.areaagencv8.org

■ Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging

Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain & Medina www.psa10a.org

#### Area Agency on Aging, 10B, Inc. Portage, Stark, Summit & Wayne www.services4aging.org

Area Agency on Aging 11, Inc. Ashtabula, Columbiana, Mahoning & Trumbull www.aaa11.org

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#### **www.ltcohio.org** provides information and customer reviews of nursing homes throughout Ohio.

- www.connectmeohio.org links older adults and people with disabilities to services and supports in their area.
- www.ohio.networkofcare.org connects individuals and families to information about mental and emotional wellness.
- www.ohio.gov is the official portal for information about and access to state agencies, programs and services.

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#### **Publications**

The Ohio Department of Insurance has produced many consumer-friendly publications.

#### **Ohio Consumer Guides**

- Medicare Supplement Insurance and Medicare Options (including Part D)
- Long-term care insurance
- Auto, home and life insurance
- Annuity contracts

#### **Brochures**

- Medicare Savings Programs
- Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage (Part D)
- Ohio Medicare Partners

You can also find these publications on our website at www.ohioinsurance.gov.

#### **Local Volunteer Counselors**

OSHIIP is involved in your neighborhood.

- OSHIIP has trained and certified approximately 600 volunteers across the state
- Our volunteer counselors are experts on Medicare and related health insurance information
- A local volunteer can meet with you in person or speak with you over the telephone

### Speakers Bureau

- Schedule a speaker for your group or club to discuss the facts about Medicare
- Our knowledgeable speakers can discuss health insurance issues such as Medicare and long-term care insurance



#### OSHIIP is a Proud Member of

- Ohio Medicare Partners
- Ohio's Aging Eye Public/Private Partnership
- A national network of similar programs

### **History**

OSHIIP is funded by a federal grant and the state of Ohio. The Ohio Department of Insurance administers the program.

Since its start in 1992, OSHIIP has

- Counseled more than 435,000 people
- Saved Ohio consumers \$3.6 million
- · Distributed nearly 1 million publications
- Trained and certified more than 2,600 community-based volunteers
- Established more than 200 local information sites

#### Want to volunteer?

Without volunteers, OSHIIP could not fulfill its mission. Dedicated people are needed to be volunteers in all parts of Ohio. As a volunteer, you will

- Learn about Medicare in a free 20-hour course
- Help people in your community
- Have the satisfaction of taking part in a truly worthy cause

You can read the descriptions for our many different volunteer positions on the next panel of this brochure. If you're interested, please call us about the next training course in your area.

Call 1-888-686-VOLS.

### **Volunteer Opportunities**

Even if you don't think you know enough about insurance, you may find your background fits one of our volunteer descriptions. In addition, many of our clients appreciate volunteers with special skills. If you are a person with a disability or if you are bilingual, your help is especially needed.

#### **Volunteer Counselor**

- Provides in-person and phone contact with seniors
- Provides information, assistance and referrals to other local and state resources

#### Volunteer Administrator

- Responsible for scheduling and staffing local information site
- · Assists counselors and other volunteers

#### **Volunteer Recruiter**

- Responsible for finding local people who want to volunteer
- · Performs some marketing duties

#### **Volunteer Educator**

- Responsible for instructing community members about OSHIIP services
- Gives presentations on changes in Medicare and other related issues

#### Volunteer Marketer

- Responsible for marketing OSHIIP to community organizations
- · Promotes local awareness of the program