



## **MEDICARE 2010**

### **HELP WITH MEDICARE IS HERE!**

**Are you unhappy with your current Medicare medical insurance coverage or prescription drug plan? The Annual Election Period starts November 15th and ends December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009 with new coverage effective January 1, 2010. The Annual Enrollment Period is the time each year when you can:**

- **Switch your prescription drug plan or join a prescription drug plan**
- **Switch to another Medicare HMO or PPO**
- **Switch to original Medicare with or without a separate supplement plan**
- **Take the opportunity to review your Medicare-approved health and drug plan options.**

Sign up to meet with a Department of Aging volunteer from APPRISE who can help you make a change or evaluate your options. These volunteers are trained to assist Chester County residents with free, confidential and independent assessments of health care options under Medicare. If you would like to speak to an APPRISE counselor, see the dates below and call the senior center at least one week before the event to make an appointment.

<b>Location</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Phone Number</b>	<b>Hours</b>
<b>West Chester Senior Center</b>	<b>Nov 5, Nov 19</b>	<b>610-431-4242</b>	<b>9-3:00</b>
<b>Coatesville Senior Center</b>	<b>Nov 10, Dec 7</b>	<b>610-383-6900</b>	<b>9-3:00</b>
<b>Phoenixville Senior Center</b>	<b>Nov 30, Dec 7</b>	<b>610-935-1515</b>	<b>10-3:00</b>
<b>Oxford Senior Center</b>	<b>Nov 20, Dec 4</b>	<b>610-932-5244</b>	<b>9-3:00</b>
<b>Kennett Area Senior Center</b>	<b>Nov 12, Nov 18</b>	<b>610-444-4819</b>	<b>9-3:00</b>
<b>Surrey Services for Seniors</b>	<b>Nov 20, Dec 1</b>	<b>610-647-6404</b>	<b>9-3:00</b>
<b>Downingtown Senior Center</b>	<b>Nov 5, Nov 6</b>	<b>610-269-3939</b>	<b>9-3:00</b>

**If you cannot attend one of these sessions, please call the APPRISE hotline to make an alternative appointment. That number is 610-344-5004. Leave your name and phone number and a counselor will call you back within 24 hours.**

APPRISE is a free health insurance counseling program designed to help Pennsylvanians age 60 and over and those with disabilities with health insurance concerns. Apprise counselors are specially trained volunteers who can answer your questions about Medicare and provide you with objective, easy-to-understand information about health insurance. Apprise services are free and all information is kept completely confidential.