

5 Key Facts About Your **NEW** Medicare Cards

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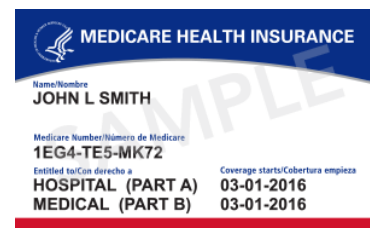
YOUR NEW MEDICARE CARD WILL NOT HAVE YOUR SSN!

The Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act (MACRA) requires CMS (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) to remove SSNs from all Medicare cards. The new card will have a random 11 digit identifier that's a mix of numbers and letters.

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YOU WILL NOT SEE YOUR NEW CARDS BEFORE APRIL 2018

The transition period will begin no earlier than April 1, 2018 and run through April 2019.



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YOUR BENEFITS WILL STAY THE SAME

The new Medicare numbers will NOT change anything in your coverage. You can start using your new card as soon as you receive it.

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YOU DON'T NEED TO DO ANYTHING

This change will be automatic. There is no need to confirm your personal information with Medicare. When CMS sends your new Medicare card, they will mail it to you.

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ALWAYS STAY ALERT

Scammers posing as Medicare Reps may call you asking for your current Medicare number and offer to send you a new card. Never give your information to anyone suspicious over the phone!

REMEMBER TO REPORT SUSPECTED FRAUD, ERRORS OR ABUSE.

CALL the NYS Senior Medicare Patrol at 1-800-333-4374



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