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For each new morning with its light, For rest and shelter of the night, For health and food, For love and friends, For everything Thy goodness sends. Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803-1882). "Blessed are those who mourn, For they shall be comforted." Matthew 5:4 NKJV We wish health/wellness to all past/current members! ggd@



Highlights From August's Meeting: Laird Wm Van Gorder -**Distinguished ToastMaster (DTM)** - shared insightful information about Toastmasters International ... the organization and its members. According to published resources, Toastmasters International is a non-profit educational organization that teaches public speaking and leadership skills through a worldwide network of meeting locations. Toastmasters International Values: Integrity, Respect, Service and Excellence. Toastmasters benefit their communities by conducting the following types of programs: Youth Leadership public speaking training for junior and high school students.



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A stodgy man walks into a bar and sits down. "Want a drink?" asks the bartender. "Tried liquor once, didn't like it," says the man. "Care for a pretzel?" "Tried a pretzel once, didn't like it." "Wanna watch the baseball game?" "Tried watching baseball once . Didn't like it. Don't mind me; I'm just waiting for my son." "Let me guess," says the bartender, "your only child?" "Bada Bing!" ggd @ Thanks Suzanne **Burgess!** 

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Sincerely,

Greg (Formerly Known As "Da Baby") Davis ggd ⊙



# If You Have Medicare There's No Need To Go To The Insurance Marketplace

By Susan Jaffe, Kaiser Health News in collaboration with USA Today

While the Obama administration is stepping up efforts encouraging uninsured Americans to enroll in health coverage from the new online insurance marketplaces, officials are planning a campaign to convince millions of seniors to please stay away – don't call and don't sign up.

"We want to reassure Medicare beneficiaries that they are already covered, their benefits are not changing and the marketplace doesn't require them to do anything," said **Michele Patrick**, Medicare's deputy director for communications.

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To reinforce the message, she said the **2014** "Medicare & You" handbook – the 100-plus-page guide that will be sent to 52 million Medicare beneficiaries next month — contains a prominent notice: "The Health Insurance Marketplace, a key part of the Affordable Care Act, will take effect in 2014. It's a new way for individuals, families, and employees of small businesses to get health insurance. Medicare isn't part of the Marketplace."

Still, it can be easy to get the wrong impression. "You hear programs on the radio about the health care law and they never talk about seniors and what we are supposed to do," said Barbara Bonner, 72, of Reston, Va. "Do we have to go sign up like they're saying everyone else has to? Does the new law apply to us seniors at all and if so, how?"

Enrollment in health plans offered on the marketplaces, also called exchanges, begins Oct. 1 and runs for six months. Meanwhile, the two-month sign-up period for private health plans for millions of Medicare beneficiaries begins Oct. 15. In that time, seniors can shop for a **private health plan known as Medicare Advantage, pick a drug insurance policy or buy a supplemental** Medigap plan. And in nearly two dozen states, some Medicare beneficiaries who also qualify for Medicaid may be choosing private managed care plans. None of these four kinds of coverage will be offered in the health law's marketplaces.

Since many of the same insurance companies offering coverage for seniors will also sell and advertise policies in the marketplaces, seniors may have a hard time figuring out which options are for them. "Over the next six months seniors will be bombarded with information and a lot of it will be conflicting and confusing," said Nick Quealy-Gainer, Medicare task force coordinator for Champaign County Health Care Consumers, an Illinois advocacy group.

"Every time there is publicity about the marketplaces, our calls spike," said Leta Blank, director for the Montgomery County, Md., State Health Insurance Assistance Program. While Medicare officials steer seniors away from the marketplaces, there is nothing in the health law that prevents beneficiaries from signing up for markertplace plans, said Juliette Cubanski, of the Kaiser Family Foundation. If they do, they will not qualify for premium tax credits for the marketplace plans. (Kaiser Health News is an editorially independent program of the foundation.)

These plans may appeal to wealthy seniors – about 5 percent of Medicare beneficiaries — who pay higher premiums for Medicare based on their income and assets, said Cubanski. But for the vast majority of seniors, she said, Medicare's benefit package is better and more affordable compared to marketplace coverage. Confusion about different government health programs could also create opportunities for scams. In Denver, AARP officials received complaints from seniors who were told they would lose their Medicare

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"One of the things we are paying special attention to is fraud prevention messages," said Medicare's Patrick. Seniors can be particularly vulnerable to scams "but with all of the changes in the health care landscape, we