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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **DHEC flu vaccine clinic listings posted online**

Information about who should get a flu vaccination is on the Web, and available from your doctor or any of DHEC's 46 county public health departments. Flu vaccination information, clinic times and locations are at <http://www.scdhec.gov/flu> or call DHEC's Immunization Division at (803) 898-0460 (toll free 1-800-277-4687).

### **Lt. Governor's Office on Aging Senior Pet Program**

Boots' Tail-Wagging Buddies, named after Lt. Governor Henry McMaster's English Bulldog, was established to provide low or no cost pet care to qualifying individuals. For additional information about the Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging Senior Pet Program initiative, please contact Jennifer Van Cleave by e-mail ([jvancleave@aging.sc.gov](mailto:jvancleave@aging.sc.gov)) or by phone (803-734-9933)

### **Medicare Open Enrollment; October 15<sup>th</sup> - December 7<sup>th</sup>**

Individuals with Medicare can call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227) or visit [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov) for additional plan information. If a person is satisfied that their current plan will meet their needs for next year, they don't need to do anything. For more information on how the Office on Aging can help, please [click here](#).

### **SC DHHS Seeks Community Input on Residential and Day Programs**

SC DHHS seeks input as to whether the residential and day programs, funded by SCDHHS, provide opportunities for people receiving HCBS/waiver services to be part of the community. This agency will use this input to compile a list of programs throughout the state to review. [Click here](#) for more information.

### **Senior P.R.E.P (Planning Resources for Emergency Preparedness): Earthquake Awareness**

SENIOR P.R.E.P. is a program designed to raise awareness of the importance of individual emergency preparedness for South Carolina's senior population. It is sponsored by the Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging (LGOA), in partnership with Walgreens and the South Carolina Emergency Management Division (SCEMD). [Click here](#) to see the Earthquake Awareness brochure.

## IN THE NEWS

### **Local Seniors Contribute to S.C. Silver Haired Legislature**

The priorities presented to the Second Session, 121st General Assembly are: funding for In-Home and Community Based Services; funding for additional Adult Protective Services workers; and funding for Guardian Ad Litem program for vulnerable adults. [Click here](#) to read the full story.

## FREE LEGAL CLINICS

The South Carolina Bar sponsors free legal clinics around the state. There will be various clinics throughout the month of November focusing on the following topics: Wills, Estates and Probate; Senior Scams; End of Life Issues; and Senior Issues. For more information about the clinics, or to schedule a clinic for your organization, contact Debbie Morris at [debbie.morris@scbar.org](mailto:debbie.morris@scbar.org). You can find the schedule [here](#).

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