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Apply for a benefits enrollment grant

Nov. 13 is the deadline to apply to be an NCOA Benefits Enrollment Center. BECs help low-income people with Medicare apply for and enroll in core benefits. Up to 8 grants will be awarded in 2016.

[Apply now](#)

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Congress to vote on budget deal

The House is expected to vote tomorrow, and the Senate shortly thereafter, on a two-year budget package that would increase discretionary spending by \$80 billion above sequester levels, spread equally between defense and non-defense programs. The package also addresses the potential Medicare Part B premium and deductible increases. Monthly premiums for the 30% of people with Medicare who are not held harmless in 2016 would be \$123 instead of \$159, and deductibles would be \$167 instead of \$223. To offset the cost, starting in 2017, people with Medicare would pay a \$3 monthly premium surcharge (up to \$12 for those with higher incomes) over a 5-year period. The deal also addresses the Social Security Disability Insurance shortfall, averting a 20% cut and extending solvency for 8 years.

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Enter our falls prevention video contest

We're holding our first-ever falls prevention video contest, and the deadline is Nov. 2.

We're looking for positive images of older adults engaged in a variety of falls prevention activities.

[See how to enter](#) | [Share our animated falls video](#)

What do you think of NCOA?

Tell us by writing a review on GreatNonprofits! It's quick and easy and will help us spread the word about our work for seniors.

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Coming up...

- **Implementation of the HCBS Settings Rule:** Hear an analysis of state implementation plans. *Oct. 30 @ 1 p.m. ET*
- **Medicare in 2016: Helping Your Clients with Open Enrollment:** Learn what changes older adults can expect coming next year. *Nov. 4 @ 2 p.m. ET*
- **Talking with Your Doctor: Everything You Need to Know to Lead a Lively Workshop:** Explore how to use the National Institute on Aging's new presentation toolkit. *Nov. 5 @ 1:30 p.m. ET*

Did you miss this?

- **Video: Mastering Longevity:** Watch this news style program exploring innovative ideas to help people navigate the challenges of aging.
- **Medicare Open Enrollment:** Find all the information and resources you need on My Medicare Matters®.

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