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It's Medicare Summary Notice Season!

Review Your Medicare Summary Notice to Help Stop Medicare Fraud

If you have Original Medicare (Part A and Part B), it's that time of year when your Medicare Summary Notice, (MSN) may arrive in your mailbox. Your MSN is not a bill. It is a summary of the health care services, supplies, and equipment billed to your Medicare account.

New Mailing Schedule

Paper Medicare Summary Notices are now mailed approximately every 180 days instead of every 90 days. Because each notice covers a longer period, you'll likely see more claims than before. Take time to review every page.

Protect Yourself from Medicare Fraud

- Did you receive every service listed?
- Do you recognize every provider?
- Did you receive the equipment or supplies shown?
- Is anything unfamiliar?

Protect - Detect - Report

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Protect Treat your Medicare number like a credit card. Never share it with unexpected callers.	**Detect** Review your MSN. Look for services, providers, equipment, or supplies you don't recognize.	**Report** suspicious charges to 1-800-MEDICARE and Wisconsin Senior Medicare Patrol, 888-818-2611 or email: smp-wi@gwaar.org

Why It Matters

Reviewing your MSN is one of the easiest ways to detect billing errors and possible Medicare fraud. Criminals may bill Medicare for services or equipment you never received. Catching these errors early helps protect both your Medicare benefits and your medical record.

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Senior Medicare Patrol
Preventing Medicare Fraud

The Wisconsin Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) provides free, confidential assistance to help beneficiaries prevent, detect, and report Medicare fraud, errors, and abuse. If you need help or have questions, please contact us at (888) 818-2611.

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