

# New Medicare Card SCAM

**WHAT is  
happening?**

MEDICARE		HEALTH INSURANCE	
SOCIAL SECURITY ACT			
NAME OF BENEFICIARY	JOHN D. DOE		
MEDICARE CLAIM NUMBER	123-45-6789A	SEX	MALE
IS ENTITLED TO	EFFECTIVE DATE		
HOSPITAL INSURANCE (PART A)			1/1/95
MEDICAL INSURANCE (PART B)			1/1/95
SIGN HERE			

New Medicare cards will be issued  
\*Be sure Medicare has your correct mailing address by calling [1-800-medicare](tel:1-800-medicare).

**WHEN?** Beginning April 2018 through end of 2019

**WHY?** For YOUR security – Medicare is....

Replacing Social Security numbers on your card  
With random digits and letters

What is the **SCAM** - A phone call or email stating...

“You will lose Medicare benefits if you don’t get the new card”

- You must pay for your new card
- **Asks** you to verify your existing Medicare #
- Congress requires a fee for the new card
- Fee must come out of your checking account
- **Requests** your checking account # and bank information

The Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)  
**will never call or email you** requesting personal information.

The new Medicare card will be mailed to you at no charge.

Should you be contacted by a SCAMMER...

**Hang up** the phone, **Close** the email and **Report** it to:

**Senior Medicare Patrol at 877-767-4359**

Medicare & State of NJ provides free Medicare counseling through  
the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)

For **Mercer County** residents – contact:

Family Guidance Center, **Cathy Forbes**, SHIP Coordinator

Phone: (609) 393-1626

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