



Statewide Benefits Counselor 1 Training

Hosted by: AACOG's Area Agencies on Aging

April 13-15, 2010

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

*Courtyard San Antonio Northwest at The RIM

5731 Rim Pass Drive *(Note new location)

San Antonio, Texas 78257

Topics will include:

- Medicare Basics & Coverage Options
- Social Security
- Appeals / Administrative Law
- Medicaid
- Long Term Care and Other Health Insurance
- Veteran Benefits

Registration Fee: **\$40.00** (25% discount for 3 or more participants from the same agency.)

RSVP by: **March 31, 2010**

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Register by **March 26** to receive the Group Rate of \$117.00

(210) 558-7774 Website: www.courtyardtherim.com

**Fiesta San Antonio April 15 - 25th

Website: www.fiesta-sa.org

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Make Registration Check(s) payable to: **AADC - ASC Tax ID #31382**
Mail to: AACOG
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Day One – April 13, 2010

7:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Registration
8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Welcome & Introductions - Martha Spinks, Director, Bexar Area Agency on Aging; Martha Ramirez, Access & Assistance Coordinator, Bexar Area Agency on Aging/ASC
9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.	Overview of HICAP / SHIP Certification Process - Norma Almanza, HICAP Coordinator, Texas Department of Insurance
9:45 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Break
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Medicare's Annual Outreach Calendar - Gaye Humphrey, Outreach Specialist, Regional Office of External Affairs, CMS Region VI
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Medicare (Parts A, B & D) Basics. Options to receive Medicare benefits - Gaye Humphrey, Outreach Specialist, Regional Office of External Affairs, CMS Region VI
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch on your Own
1:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.	Veterans Benefits - Ray Gill, Veterans Service Representative, Department of Veterans Affairs
1:45 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.	SSI & Medicaid - Trelisha Brown, Managing Attorney for Health Law Project, Texas Legal Services Center
2:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Break
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Nursing Home Medicaid - Bruce Bower, Deputy Director, Texas Legal Services Center
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Appeals / Administrative Law - Bruce Bower, Deputy Director, Texas Legal Services Center



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Day Two – April 14, 2010

7:45 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	Registration
8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Welcome & Introductions - Martha Ramirez, Access & Assistance Coordinator, Bexar Area Agency on Aging
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Medicare Savings Program & the Low Income Subsidy Basics and Application Assistance - Trelisha Brown, Managing Attorney for Health Law Project, Texas Legal Services Center
10:00 a.m. - 10:10 a.m.	Break
10:10 a.m. - 11:10 a.m.	Medicare Enrollment / LIS / How to work with SSA on behalf of your client - Laurin Lee Jimenez, District Manager, Social Security Administration
11:10 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.	Understanding Medicare Supplement Plans and Handling complaints about Medigap Plans - Norma Almanza, HICAP Coordinator, Texas Department of Insurance
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch on your Own
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Understanding Medicare Advantage Plans & Handling Medicare Advantage or Part D member complaints - Norma Almanza, HICAP Coordinator, Texas Department of Insurance
3:00 p.m. - 3:10 p.m.	Break
3:10 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Medicare & Consumer Fraud - Barbara McGinity, Program Director, The Better Business Bureau Education Foundation
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	What is Long Term Care & How to Pay for It - Norma Almanza, HICAP Coordinator, Texas Department of Insurance



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| 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. | Welcome & Introduction |
| | Overview of Training - Martha Ramirez, Access & Assistance Coordinator, Bexar Area Agency on Aging |
| 8:30a.m. – 9:30a.m. | NPR Review Part 1 - Patsy Fernandez, Legal Service Developer / SHIP Director <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Performance Measures Discussion○ Client Contact Form Review○ PAM Review |
| 9:30a.m. – 9:45a.m. | Break |
| 9:45a.m. - 10:30 a.m. | NPR Review Part 2 - Patsy Fernandez, Legal Service Developer / SHIP Director <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Non-Reporting/ System Failure○ Improper Reporting Issues |
| 10:30 a.m. – 11:00a.m. | Question and Answer - Patsy Fernandez, Legal Service Developer / SHIP Director |
| Adjourn | |