

Important Local Contacts

NEW YORK STATE OFFICE FOR THE AGINGaging.ny.gov
NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
 The Official Health Plan Marketplace 1-855-355-5777
NY CONNECTS: Your link to
 Long-Term Services and Supports 1-800-342-9871
U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES
 Federal Information Center (for all locations) 1-800-333-4636
 Health Care Fraud Hotline (Inspector General) 1-202-418-3300
 Internal Revenue Service - Information Line 1-800-829-1040
 Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection 1-518-434-1935 or 1-800-442-3863
 Social Security Administration Hotline 1-800-772-1213
 TTY 1-800-325-0778
 Department of Veterans Affairs 1-800-827-1000

TOLL-FREE HELPLINES & OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS
 AARP 1-202-434-2277
 Alliance for Aging Research 1-202-293-2856
 Alzheimer's Association 1-800-272-3900
 Leading Age 1-202-783-2242
 American Cancer Society Response Hotline 1-800-227-2345
 American Diabetes Association 1-800-342-2383
 American Diabetes Assoc. Professional
 Membership and Subscription Line 1-800-232-3472
 American Heart and Stroke Association 1-800-242-8721
 American Lung Association 1-800-586-4872
 Arthritis Foundation Information Line 1-800-283-7800
 Medicare and Medicaid Services Hotline 1-800-MEDICARE
 (1-800-633-4227)
 National Cancer Institute 1-800-422-6237

National Consumer Voice for Quality
 Long-Term Care 1-202-332-2275
 National Hospice Organization 1-800-658-8898
 National Institute on Aging 1-800-222-2225
 Parkinson's Disease Foundation 1-800-457-6676
 NYS Division of Veterans' Affairs 1-888-VETS-NYS
 1-888-(838-7697)
 Veterans Crisis Line.....1-800-273-8255
 National Suicide Prevention Hotline.....1-800-273-8255
 Help for Alcoholism, Drug Abuse, Gambling1-877-8-HOPENY
 or (1-877-846-7369)

ALBANY COUNTY DEPARTMENT FOR THE AGING
 100 Heritage Lane, 5th Floor, Albany, NY 12211 • (518) 447-7198

COLUMBIA COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE AGING
 325 Columbia Street, Hudson, NY 12534 • (518) 828-4258

DELAWARE COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE AGING
 97 Main Street, Suite 2, Delhi, NY 13753 • (607) 832-5750

GREENE COUNTY DEPARTMENT FOR THE AGING
 411 Main Street, Catskill, NY 12414 • (518) 719-3555

OTSEGO COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE AGING
 The Meadows Office Complex, 140 County Highway 33W,
 Suite 5, Cooperstown, NY 13326 • (607) 547-4232

SCHOHARIE COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE AGING
 113 Park Place, Suite 3, Schoharie, NY 12157 • (518) 295-2001

ULSTER COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE AGING
 1003 Development Court, Kingston, NY 12401 • (845) 340-3456

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For more information regarding
 the EPIC program,
<http://on.ny.gov/2Aye3o8> or call
 1-800-332-3742
 (TTY: 1-800-290-9138).

To join EPIC, a senior must:

- Be a New York State resident;
- Have an annual income below \$75,000 if single or \$100,000 if married;
- Be enrolled or eligible to enroll in Medicare Part D (no exceptions); and
- Not be receiving full Medicaid benefits.

The Elderly Pharmaceutical Insurance Coverage (EPIC) program is a New York State program for seniors administered by the Department of Health.

What is EPIC?

New York State Assembly
 Albany, NY 12248

SENIOR RESOURCE GUIDE



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Golden Park Program

If you are a New York State resident 62 or older, on any weekday (except holidays) you can obtain:

- Free vehicle access to many state parks, boat launch sites and arboretums
- Fee reduction to state historic sites and state-operated golf courses.

You can do the above simply by presenting your currently valid New York State Driver License or New York State Non-Driver Identification Card.*

For locations with pay stations, please contact the facility directly for information. For information about facilities where this program is valid, contact:

New York State Parks

Albany, NY 12238

518-474-0456

TTY/TDD through 711 Relay Service

**A New York State Driver License or a New York State Non-Driver Identification Card may be obtained from your local Motor Vehicle office. You may want to contact them first to be certain you bring the required forms of identification.*



What is HIICAP?

HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION COUNSELING AND ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

- HIICAP is available to Medicare beneficiaries and/or their caregivers
- Counselors certified by NYS provide information to help you make informed decisions regarding health insurance issues
- Health insurance information and counseling—your one-on-one counseling session is confidential and specific to your situation
- HIICAP can help you:
 - ✓ Understand Medicare Part D
 - ✓ Choose between Medicare and Medicare Advantage plans
 - ✓ Find ways to pay for prescriptions and medical equipment
 - ✓ Learn about prevention and screening coverage that keeps you healthy and helps detect issues early

and more!

HOTLINE: 1-800-701-0501

WHAT IS NY CONNECTS?

NY Connects helps anyone who needs information on long-term services and supports individuals with disabilities, older adults, family members and caregivers, friends or neighbors, veterans, and helping professionals.

NY Connects can help you...

- Find care and support
- Remain independent
- Understand care options
- Find transportation
- Learn about supports in caregiving
- Find supported employment programs
- Get answers about Medicare
- Apply for medical and other benefits

Senior Citizens Real Property Tax Exemption

Local governments and school districts in New York State can opt to grant a reduction on the amount of property taxes paid by qualifying senior citizens. This is accomplished by reducing the taxable assessment of the senior's home.

To qualify, seniors generally must be 65 years of age or older and meet certain income limitations and other requirements. To see if your locality provides a tax exemption, call your local assessor.

For more information about these programs, please contact NY Connects at 1-800-342-9871 or online at www.nyconnects.ny.gov, or contact your local county's office for the aging.

For any questions or concerns about state matters, please contact Assemblyman Chris Tague at 45 Five Mile Woods Rd., Suite 3, Catskill, NY 12414 518-943-1371 • taguec@nyassembly.gov

ASSEMBLYMAN CHRIS Tague