



Community Forum

Understanding Medicare and the EPIC Program

Health and drug plans for seniors covered by Medicare can change each year including individual costs, benefit coverage, providers, and pharmacy networks covered by each plan.

Fortunately, individuals enrolled in the Medicare Advantage/Medicare Health Plans and prescription drug plans (*PartD*) have the opportunity during the Open Enrollment Period (*October 15 to December 7*) to change their Medicare health and prescription drug plans for the upcoming year. However, understanding and navigating the various plans and options is often a challenging experience.

Albany Guardian Society, invites you to a community forum titled, **Understanding Medicare and the EPIC Program**.

The forum will provide an overview of the Medicare program and coverage options, including: Medigap/Medicare Supplement Insurance, Medicare Advantage/Medicare Health Plans and Medicare Part D prescription drug coverage.

In addition, an overview will be provided of the EPIC Program which assists over 324,572 income-eligible seniors ages 65 and older in supplementing their out-of-pocket Medicare Part D drug plan costs.

While there is no charge to attend, registration is required by **October 8, 2020**. **You may register through Albany Guardian Society in one of three ways:**

- Email Albany Guardian Society at ags@albanyguardiansociety.org. Please note "October 13 Forum" in the subject line.
- Call Albany Guardian Society at 518-434-2140.
- Online at www.albanyguardiansociety.org.

Date: Tuesday, October 13, 2020

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Location: This forum will be presented online through Zoom



Speaker: Eric Hausman

Eric Hausman is an Independent Consultant specializing in Medicare Education and Training. He has conducted hundreds of Medicare presentations since 1998 on all aspects of Medicare and related insurance, both to groups of people with Medicare and to professionals.

For more than 17 years, he has served as the Lead Trainer for the HIICAP program in New York State, providing training and technical assistance to Medicare counselors through out the state. He previously worked in the Medicare operations of Empire Blue Cross Blue Shield (Well Point). Eric holds both his BBA and MBA degrees from Baruch College in Manhattan. He loves to talk to people about Medicare.

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