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- Answers to aging, disability
   and caregiver questions
- Medicare updates
- Help with Public Benefits
- South Alabama Senior Directory

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- Social withdrawal
- Grief and loss
- Medication management
- Suicidal thoughts
- Dementia

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### **Need help or advice?** The Area Agency on Aging has you covered



The Area Agency on Aging, a program of the South Alabama Regional Planning Commission, is pleased to partner with Gulf Coast Media to let area seniors and their families know

Julie McGee Director, Area Agency on Aging

about the variety of services available locally. The Area Agency on Aging is the place to start your search for information on enriching your life, whether as a volunteer, through taking classes, joining a recreation or wellness program, maximizing your Medicare benefits, improving your financial security, finding in-home services to help you age in place, or with information on Alzheimer's care and nursing homes and assisted living facilities. We provide services both through our staff and through community partners, such as the Baldwin and Escambia County Councils on Aging, senior centers, direct care providers and city and county government.

Our agency is officially designated by the State of Alabama as South Alabama's Area Agency on Aging. Our population of approximately 160,000 is the largest population of age 60-plus adults served by any of the 13 regional Area Agencies on Aging across Alabama. We work closely with the Alabama Department of Senior Services and receive federal, state, and local government funds, as well as some private grants. We are an unbiased governmentfunded, consumer-focused agency, and we are here to help you. We do not represent any business interests and our services are free. We work for you!

To learn more about our services and upcoming events, visit us online at www. agingsouthalabama.org. You may call us at 251-706-4680 or 1-800-AGE-LINE (800-243-5463), or email aginginfo@sarpc.org. We're also on Facebook; like South Alabama Area Agency on Aging for regular updates.

### AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER: Answers to Aging, Disability and Caregiver Questions

Local Area Agency on Aging	251-706-4680	agingsouthalabama.org
Alabama	1-800-243-5463	AlabamaAgeline.gov
National Eldercare Locator	1-800-677-1116	eldercare.acl.gov

When you call the Aging and Disability Resource Center of the Area Agency on Aging you will be connected with local programs and services for older adults and caregivers. The following are some examples of services and supports commonly available through these resources:

#### **Staying at Home**

Nutrition Programs – Home-delivered meals or group meal programs, food assistance In-home Services – Housework, personal care, meal preparation, companion or respite care Housing Choices – Housing alternatives in your community Wellness – Health promotion classes, wellness and exercise programs

#### **Assisting Caregivers**

Caregiver Support – Programs to support those taking care of older adults, persons with dementia, and grandparents raising grandchildren Respite Care – Opportunities to relieve caregivers of daily duties Adult Day Care – A protective setting for older adults in need of assistance during the day Alzheimer's and Dementia – Programs to support families impacted by dementia

#### **Getting Involved**

Senior Center Programs – Meals, recreation and socialization Volunteer Services – Opportunities to stay involved and give back Employment Services – Opportunities to explore training and employment options

#### **Finding Additional Resources**

Legal Assistance – Advice and representation for legal matters, such as durable powers of attorney, government program benefits, Medicaid, tenant rights, consumer issues Financial Assistance – Screening and application assistance on available public benefits Case Management – Help identifying needs and coordinating services Elder Rights – What to do about elder abuse concerns, and resident rights in nursing homes and assisted living facilities Health Insurance Counseling – Assistance with health insurance related

questions, including Medicare plan choices, Part D prescription drug options and Medicare Savings Programs

Prescription Assistance – help applying for free and low cost prescription medicines.

Transportation - Find ride services in your community

Waiting lists and financial eligibility may apply.

#### The State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) strengthens the state's ability to provide all Medicare-eligible individuals with information, counseling, and assistance on health insurance matters.



SHIP is Alabama's State Health Insurance Assistance Program. SHIP counselors and volunteers are committed to helping participants make informed choices regarding health insurance benefits. Counselors and volunteers are not affiliated with any insurance company and will not attempt to sell insurance. All counseling records are strictly confidential.

SHIP is a trusted source for information about Medicare, related health insurance, and low-income resources. SHIP counselors can help participants know and understand their insurance options. SHIP is funded through the Administration on Community Living (ACL) and the Alabama Department of Senior Services (ADSS)

Alabama SHIP's understand the complexities of Medicare and issues that many beneficiaries and family members encounter once eligibility is near. Our services are designed to provide free unbiased assistance specific to the beneficiaries needs. SHIP's have a unique niche in the Medicare space in that we are the only federally funded counseling service in the nation. SHIP's pride themselves on being objective and empowering beneficiaries, caregivers, family members & community partners at local levels to make educated informed decisions on often times complex Medicare related issues.

WHAT CAN SHIP DO FOR YOU? • SHIP can help you understand Medicare benefits.

• SHIP can answer questions about Medicare Advantage Plans

SHIP can help you determine which Medicare Prescription Drug Plan best fits your needs.
SHIP can answer your questions about

Medigap, long-term care insurance policies, and other health insurance programs for seniors.

• SHIP can assist Medicare beneficiaries in specific areas such as home health benefits, Medicare claims and appeals, and other similar issues.

• SHIP can provide details about benefits available in your area and refer you to other helpful programs.

SHIP provides FREE education, counseling,

and information concerning:

- Medicare
- Medicare AdvantageMedicare supplements
- Medicare savings programs
- Medicaid
- Prescription drugs
- Coordination of Benefits
- Plan comparisons
- Billing & claims
- Rights & protections
- Long-term care

Medicare Open Enrollment- October 15th 2022 through December 7th 2022.

Medicare Open Enrollment is the time that Medicare beneficiaries should re-evaluate your plan to see what is new or often times better for them for the upcoming 2023 Year. It is very important to review your current 2022 year plan with new plans for the upcoming 2023 year to determine if you could benefit from potentially changing prescription drug plans and/or Medicare Advantage plans to get better coverage or lower prescription drug costs.

The Alabama State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) offers free, unbiased information and counseling and can assist you with plan comparisons, enrollment and subsidy cost saving applications that can save you money and frustration! Your local area agency on Aging's SHIP will be available to help you:

 $\cdot\,$  Read the Annual Notice of Changes mailed to you by your health plan.

 $\cdot\,$  Check the plan formulary-the list of covered prescription drugs-to make sure that yours are covered by the plan.

• Check provider networks if you have a Medicare Advantage Plan to ensure that your providers/doctors/hospitals are in the network.

 $\cdot\,$  Compare your current plan against its competitors and educate you on the differences.

 $\cdot\,$  Protect against potential Medicare fraud.

• Screen for cost saving programs that could produce significant health and drug cost savings.

• Tailored services to meet your needs remotely!

SHIP is your trusted source for information. The Area Agency on Aging's local SHIP provides free assistance in the Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia county region. Contact us at 251-706-4680 or 1-800-243-5463

# New 2023 Medicare Updates for Alabama.



#### Medicare Advantage:

• The average monthly Medicare Advantage plan premium changed from \$11.99 in 2022 to \$11.24 in 2023. This represents a -6.3% change in average premium.

• 108 Medicare Advantage plans are available in 2023, compared to 91 plans in 2022. This represents a 18.7% change in plan options.

100% of people with Medicare have access to a Medicare Advantage plan.
\$0 is the lowest monthly premium for a Medicare Advantage plan.
100% of people with Medicare will have access to a Medicare Advantage plan with a \$0 monthly premium.

• Through the CMS Innovation Center's Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) Model, 43 plans will offer Medicare Advantage enrollees additional options, including reductions in cost sharing (in some cases to zero) for certain covered benefits, such as eliminated Medicare Part D Rx cost sharing; rewards and incentives programs related to healthy behaviors; and customized, innovative benefits such as healthy

food, over the counter supplies, and help with monthly expenses that support health such as utilities and other needs for enrollees who receive low income subsidies (also called Extra Help) and/or chronically ill enrollees.

• In addition, through the VBID Model's Hospice Benefit Component, 10 plans will offer the Medicare hospice benefit through their plan. Medicare Part D (Rx) plans:

• 24 stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans are available in 2023. All individuals with Medicare have access to a Medicare prescription drug plan. • 100% of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan have access to a plan with a lower premium than what they paid in 2022. • 32% of people with a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan get Extra Help (also called the low-income subsidy, or LIS).

\$7.40 is the lowest monthly premium for a stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plan.
Important Dates September 2022
The "2023 Medicare & You" Handbook is sent to every household with Medicare. The handbook can be accessed online at: https://www.medicare. gov/forms-helpresources/ medicare-you-handbook/ download-medicare-youin-different-formats. • Health and drug plans begin notifying enrollees about changes to their plans in 2023. SHIP's contact phone number is on the back of each book for every state! October 2022 • Individuals can begin shopping and comparing plans on Medicare.gov starting October 1, 2022. · Individuals should

watch their mail for notices from Medicare with information about changes in 2023. · Medicare health and drug plan 2023 Star Ratings will be available on Medicare.gov on or around October 6, 2022. Medicare Open Enrollment begins October 15, 2022. December 2022 Medicare Open Enrollment ends December 7, 2022. January 2023

• Medicare health and drug plan coverage for 2023 begins January 1, 2023.



#### SenioRx and Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy offer local Prescription Assistance

SenioRx is a prescription assistance program of the Area Agency on Aging that helps persons of any age with chronic health conditions obtain free or low cost prescription medications who have no or inadequate health insurance coverage, or find themselves in the Medicare Part D prescription coverage gap. The Area Agency on Aging and their partners at the Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy, the Baldwin and Escambia Councils on Aging, and the Mostellar Medical Center, help people apply to national pharmaceutical companies for free prescription medications.

When more immediate help with prescriptions is needed, or for medications not available through these patient assistance programs, the Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy can often help. The Charitable Pharmacy provides some generic prescription medications and donated name brand medications for lower income adults. A detailed description of their program can be found at www.ozanampharmacy.org.

#### To apply for assistance contact:

- Baldwin, Escambia and Mobile counties:
- Area Agency on Aging at 706-4680 or Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy at 432-4111
- Escambia County Council on Aging at 251-368-1031
- Baldwin County Council on Aging at 972-8506

# Falls Are Serious and Costly: A Matter of Balance Classes Can Help

Each year, millions of older people those 65 and older fall. In fact, more than one out of four older people falls each year, but less than half tell their doctor. Falling once doubles your chances of falling again.

Falls Are Serious and Costly • One out of five falls causes a serious injury such as broken bones or a head injury,

• Each year, 3 million older people are treated in emergency departments for fall injuries

• Over 800,000 patients a year are hospitalized because of a fall injury, most often because of a head injury or hip fracture •Each year at least 300,000 older people are hospitalized for hip fractures

 More than 95% of hip fractures are caused by falling, usually by falling sideways

• Falls are the most common cause of traumatic brain injuries (TBI)

• In 2015, the total medical costs for falls totaled more than \$50 billion. Medicare and Medicaid shouldered 75% of these costs.

#### What Can Happen After a Fall?

Many falls do not cause injuries. But one out of five falls does cause a serious injury such as a broken bone or a head injury.4,5 These injuries can make it hard for a person to get around, do everyday activities, or live on their own.

Falls can cause broken bones, like wrist, arm, ankle, and hip fractures.

Falls can cause head injuries. These can be very serious, especially if the person is taking certain medicines (like blood thinners). An older person who falls and hits their head should see their doctor right away to make sure they don't have a brain injury.

Many people who fall, even if they're not injured, become afraid of falling. This fear may cause a person to cut down on their everyday activities. When a person is less active, they become weaker and this increases their chances of falling.

What Conditions Make You More Likely to Fall?

Research has identified many conditions that contribute to falling. These are called risk factors. Many risk factors can be changed or modified to help prevent falls. They include:

• Lower body weakness

• Vitamin D deficiency (that is, not enough vitamin D in your system)

• Difficulties with walking and balance

Use of medicines, such as tranquilizers, sedatives, or antidepressants. Even some over-the-counter medicines can affect balance and how steady you are on your feet.
Vision problems

• Foot pain or poor footwear

• Home hazards or dangers such as

broken or uneven steps, and

throw rugs or clutter that can be tripped over.

Most falls are caused by a combination of risk factors. The more risk factors a person has, the greater their chances of falling.

#### A Matter of Balance

Many older adults experience a fear of falling. People who develop this fear often limit their activities, which can result in physical weakness, making the risk of falling even greater. A Matter of Balance is a program designed to reduce the fear of falling and increase activity levels among older adults. A Matter of Balance community classes are held over eight



weeks and are led by two trained facilitators for a small group of 8-12 participants. This nationally recognized program was developed at the Roybal Center at Boston University.

The program enables participants to reduce the fear of falling by learning to view falls as controllable, setting goals for increasing activity levels, making small changes to reduce fall risks at home, and exercise to increase strength and balance. The curriculum includes group discussions, mutual problem solving, role-play activities, exercise training, assertiveness training, and a few homework assignments. Participants learn about the importance of exercise in preventing falls and practice exercises to improve strength, coordination, and balance. Participants also conduct a home safety evaluation and learn to get up and down

safely.

A Matter of Balance classes are offered at no cost by the Area Agency on Aging. For more information to take a class, host a class or become a volunteer instructor, call Marcella Nettles at 251-706-4663 or mnettles@sarpc.org



MANAGING CONCERNS ABOUT FALLS



### IT'S YOUR MONEY. CUT BACK ON MEDICARE COSTS.

The State of Alabama has Medicare Savings Programs that can save you money!

**Medicare Savings Programs** pay Medicare premiums, and in some cases, Medicare deductibles and coinsurance. The services you get depend on how much income you have. If you qualify for any of the savings programs, you automatically qualify for extra help to lower the costs of your Medicare prescription drugs. **You must apply to qualify!** To qualify, you must be eligible for Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance), live in Alabama, be a U.S. Citizen, and have a monthly income at or below a certain limit.

- The programs may help you pay for your Medicare Part A (Hospital) and Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance) premiums.
- The programs have different monthly income requirements.
- Only your and your spouse's incomes count to qualify, not your assets and/or resources.
- In 2022 the highest income limits are **\$1,549** for individuals and **\$2,080** for married couples. The monthly income limits go up each year.

Medicare Savings Programs: QMB (Qualified Medicare Beneficiary), QI-1 (Qualified Individual), SLMB (Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary)

Call SHIP (State Health Insurance Assistance Program) today!

South Alabama Regional Planning Commission Area Agency on Aging



251-706-4680 or 1-800-243-5463



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# **Caregivers Need Support**

Families are the primary source of support for older adults and people with disabilities in the U.S. Many caregivers work and also provide care, experiencing conflicts between these competing responsibilities. Research indicates that caregiving also exacts a significant emotional, physical, and financial toll. With nearly half of all caregivers older than age 50, many are vulnerable to a decline in their own health. Studies have shown that coordinated support services can reduce caregiver depression, anxiety, and stress, and enable them to provide care longer, which avoids or delays the need for costly institutional care.

It's easy to become overwhelmed as a new caregiver. Here are some steps that can help:

- Identify yourself as a caregiver
- Get a good diagnosis of your loved

one's health condition

- Learn what specific skills you might need to care for someone with this diagnosis
- Talk about finances and healthcare wishes
- Complete legal paperwork, e.g., Powers of Attorney, Advance Directives
- Bring family and friends together to discuss care
- Keep them up to date on the current situation
- Identify resources, both personal and in the community
- Find support for yourself and your loved one
- Remember, you are not alone

It's one thing to gear up for a shortterm crisis. But it takes different skills to provide care over a longer period of





#### Access free training and resources to help you build skills and confidence to provide care at home.

Trualta is an online platform designed to help families build skills to manage care at home for their aging loved ones. Improve confidence, reduce stress and prevent burnout by learning care skills. Once you are registered, you have unlimited access to their articles and tips about caring for your loved one.



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- Kari from "Kitchen Safety with Mid-Stage Dementia"

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- Patricia from "Teepa Snow: Dementia Care Provisions" POSITIVE APPROACH, LLC techniques, strategies, and overall approach to care were created and developed by Teepa Snow, Positive Approach, LLC

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#### Contact Us to Register Today!

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time. You'll be more successful if you learn to take care of yourself, starting immediately. Taking care of yourself is as important as taking care of someone else. Some things to remember to care for yourself:

- You cannot be perfect
- You have a right to all of your emo-

tions

- Depression is the most common emotion of long-term caregivers
- Set realistic expectations for yourself and your loved one
- Learn about the disease and what you can expect

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#### THE ALABAMA CARES CAREGIVER SUPPORT PROGRAM

The Alabama Cares program is operated by the Area Agencies on Aging and provides caregiver information and referral, education, support, counseling, provides respite care and a dementia helpline. We offer in-person Caregiver Colleges or Grandparent workshops, and the Trualta on-line educational platform for family caregivers of persons of all ages. Trualta is an innovative program to bring actionable, skill based training directly to the family caregiver. Available on-line and in print, best-in-class learning helps caregivers manage difficult situations. This service is being provided free to residents of Baldwin, Mobile and Escambia counties through the Area Agency on Aging of the South Alabama Regional Planning Commission. For information about services available through the Alabama Cares program or to sign up for Trualta, contact us at 706-4680 or dellasanchez@sarpc.org or sarpccaregivers.trualta.com/signup



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# **SNAP** helps provide healthy food for Seniors

For a large portion of seniors in Alabama, senior hunger and economic security are daily struggles. The State of Alabama has recognized it was harder for seniors to get the help that they need to apply for food assistance benefits. Alabama's Area Agencies on Aging, partnering with the State and the National Council on Aging, began working with the Alabama Elderly Simplified Application Project (AESAP) to make it easier for older adults to navigate the process of filing for **SNAP** (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program).

The 13 Area Agencies on Aging throughout Alabama support their local seniors by participating in the SNAP campaign to make sure local seniors are helped with the application process and enrolling. The South Alabama Regional Planning Commission – Area Agency on Aging is one of dozens of community organizations across the country increasing its efforts to assist seniors in applying for SNAP and provides a free, quick, confidential screening, using the NCOA's BenefitsCheckUp screening tool: www.benefitscheckup.org/sarpc to screen for benefits available.

Nationally, the U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates 3 out of 5 seniors, aged 65+ who qualify for SNAP, do not apply. However, in Alabama only 32% apply, despite the fact that 80% of seniors who apply and are

awarded receive more than the minimum benefits. Older adults are significantly less likely to participate in the food program than other demographic groups, when SNAP can improve health outcomes for seniors. The lower nutrient intakes can make seniors more likely to suffer from diabetes, depression, high blood pressure, heart attacks, gum disease and can limit ability to do daily activities. Having access to adequate, healthy food is a major factor in healthy living. The SNAP program helps seniors get the food the need.

Some groups of seniors are more affected and are more likely to be food insecure if they:

- Live in a southern state.
- Have a disability
- Live with/raising a grandchild Are African American or
- Hispanic Are younger than age 69 The AESAP process: No office visit required

Application can be mailed, faxed, emailed or completed online

Households where all persons are 60+, with No earned income (job or business) can selfdeclare income

Allowable income amounts change yearly in October Actual medical expenses can be submitted to increase award amount

Approval is for 3 years; with annual updates/recertification Benefits are awarded on a tax free EBT card, allowing for privacy Need assistance during these difficult times?

# Apply for SNAP!

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

#### SNAP is easy to apply for if you're over 60.

#### Using the Alabama Elderly SNAP application (AESAP), is simple!

No office visit required. 2 page application. Mail, fax or email your application. Persons with no earned income (job or business) can self-declare their income. (Everyone in house must be 60+ to use AESAP application process.)

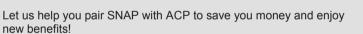
EBT Benefits awarded for three years, with only annual recertifications. Increase award amounts by submitting actual medical expenses.

#### likely to be food insecure if they: SNAP enrollment may also instantly qualify you for other benefits!

#### The Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP)

ACP is a government benefit operated by the Federal Communications Commission that provides low-to-no cost internet services and helps with the purchase of devices to access the internet such as a laptop, tablet or smartphone.

Many older adults have benefited by getting access to their email, internet searches, social media such as Facebook, on-line applications for benefits, and have saved \$100-\$300 cutting the cord in favor of affordable streaming services to watch TV.



Restrictions apply. Only one ACP per household, not per person, is allowed. Other government benefits may also provide instant qualification for ACP

> Contact: Area Agency on Aging for information or to apply for SNAP/AESAP

> > 251-706-4680



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### In Alabama 70,300 seniors are using SNAP to buy healthy food. *Are you?*

Alabama has made a special effort to help older adults age 60+ have healthy diets through improvements in its SNAP food assistance program that provides money to buy groceries. It is estimated that 2/3 of Alabama seniors who are eligible for this benefit do not apply, leaving an average of \$850 in benefits on the table. If your gross income is not over \$1,473 for one person, or \$1,984 for a couple or if you have high medical expenses not covered by insurance, contact the Area Agency on Aging to find out more about SNAP eligibility and benefits, 251-706-4680/ 1-800-243-5463, at www. agingsouthalabama.org, or visit us at www.facebook.com/agingsouthalabama.



# Senior Employment

The Senior Community Service Employment Program, also called the Senior Aides program, is a community service and work-based training program for older workers that provides useful community services and fosters individual economic self-sufficiency through training and placement into unsubsidized jobs. While in the program, participants are paid minimum wage for up to 20 hours a week. Eligibility includes age 55 and older, unemployed, and have an income of less than 125% of the federal poverty level.

Contact us at 251-652-0585 or 1-800-243-5463 or email sdiabin@sarpc.org. More information is available at www.sarpc.org

# Long-Term Care Ombudsman

The Area Agency on Aging provides the local Ombudsmen for Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia counties. The Ombudsmen are advocates for residents in long-term care facilities — Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Facilities. They work with all parties to protect the health, safety, welfare, and rights of Alabama's long-term care residents. Anyone can use the Ombudsman, including residents, their friends and family, or employees of longterm care facilities.

#### An Ombudsman's role is to:

- Provide information to the public including how to choose a facility, and residents' rights in long term care facilities. Staff are available to make presentations.
- Educate residents, family members, and facility staff, and assist

- with resident and family councils.
  Visit each facility to evaluate conditions and help ensure residents receive quality care to which they are entitled.
- Investigate and resolve complaints on behalf of residents.
- Act as a mediator between residents, family members and staff.

Individuals can file a complaint in writing, by phone, or in person. You do not have to give your name and all information if kept confidential.

Contact Frank Willis, Regional Long Term Ombudsman Representative, at 251-706-4666 or 406-9232.

# Many Free Legal Services Are Available through the Area Agency on Aging

Every day someone pays for legal services that are provided at no cost by the Area

Agency on Aging because they did not know about our Elder Law program. Through federal Older Americans Act funds certain non-fee generating and non-criminal legal services are provided to persons age 60 and older at no cost. The program targets those with social or economic needs, but provides services regardless of income and donations are accepted. Everyone needs an Advanced Directive; and with this service provided for free, there is no need to delay. Call to have one made and put your mind at rest — your family will thank you.

The legal assistance program can assist you with the following:

- Accessing health and nursing home care
- Advanced directives
- Consumer issues

- Debt collection
- Elder Abuse, exploitation, and fraud
- Guardianship issues
- Housing
- Income maintenance
- Medicare and Medicaid
- Powers of Attorney
- Social Security
- Medicaid
- Referrals to Volunteer Lawyers Program & Legal Services Corp as needed

Contact the Area Agency on Aging of the South Alabama Regional Planning Commission at 251-706-4662 or 706-4680 for services.



# **Medicaid Waiver Programs serve all ages**

The South Alabama Regional Planning Commission serves over 1,500 frail elderly or disabled adults and children annually through several Medicaid Waiver programs. This program provides services in the home and community to allow people to remain in their homes and to avoid or delay nursing home placement. All programs have financial and medical eligibility criteria. Generally clients must be on SSI and Medicaid or become deemed eligible for Medicaid; and meet medical criteria that would otherwise require them to be in a nursing home if these home and community based services were not provided. Deeming is considered for persons up to 300% of the poverty level with limited assets.

**Elderly and Disabled Waiver (E&D Wavier)** – For over 30 years SARPC has managed the Elderly and Disabled Program, which is designed to provide services to seniors and persons with disabilities of all ages whose needs would otherwise require them to live in a nursing home. Our goal is for cli-

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ents to retain their independence by providing services that allow them to live safely in their own homes for as long as it is appropriate.

Case managers work with clients to develop a care-based plan according to the clients' medical needs. Depending upon their plan of care, individuals in this program may receive personal care, homemaker, respite, adult day health, companion services, or home-delivered frozen meals.

**Personal Choices –** Alabama's Option for Self-Directed Home and Community-Based Services. The Personal Choices program is Alabama's option for self-directed home and community-based services designed to offer seniors and people with disabilities more choice and flexibility in the type of care they receive by allowing them to hire their own workers, including friends and family. Personal Choices fosters independence as participants have greater control over their finances and decisions directly related to their care.

**Alabama Community Transition** 

**Waiver (ACT)** – The ACT Waiver provides services to indi-

provides services to individuals with disabilities or long term illnesses who currently live in a nursing facility and who desire to transition to the home or

community setting. There is no age requirement, but the individual must have been in a nursing facility for 90 days or more; and are expected to move into the community within 180 days. Individuals must be determined to be eligible for transition into the community based on an assessment. Most will already meet income criteria, with incomes up to 300% of the SSI income limits. Depending upon their plan of care, individuals in this program may receive personal care, homemaker, respite, adult day health, companion services, home-delivered frozen meals or skilled nursing, up to \$1,500 in expenses needed to move back into an apartment or home; home modifications, assistive technology, personal emergency response systems and medical equipment.

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Adults (TA Waiver) – This program is for individuals who are 21 years of age or older with complex skilled medical conditions who are ventilator dependent or who have a tracheostomy. The TA Waiver is a community-based alternative for those adults who would otherwise require the nursing facility level of care if these services were not available. Covered services include private duty nursing, personal care/ attendant services, medical supplies, assistive technology and case management.

For information about any of these programs contact SARPC's Area Agency on Aging's Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) at 251-706-4680 or 1-800-AGE-LINE (1-800-243-5463).

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### Local Councils on Aging provide convenient locations for County Residents

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The Baldwin Council on Aging, a department of the Baldwin County Commission, serves as a local resource for information and assistance for seniors. The Council on Aging provides guidance navigating the issues seniors face. A few of the services offered are: personalized case management, insurance counseling, prescription assistance, benefit screening, legal assistance, tax information, consignment gift shop, ceramic classes, nutrition sites and assist those approaching retirement. The Council on Aging is located at the Central Annex, 22251 Palmer Street in Robertsdale. If you have a need not listed here, additional questions or concerns, please call us at 251-972-8506 Central Baldwin, 251-943-5061 South Baldwin, 251-928-3002 Eastern Shore or 251-937-0264 North Baldwin.

The Escambia County Council on Aging supports local senior centers and provides opportunities for socializing, adequate nutrition and supportive services to the senior residents of Escambia County, AL. The Council on Aging also provides information and referral for other services. The office is located in the County Satellite Office at 8600 Hwy 31. Call Sheila Brown at 251-368-1032.



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- Learn the skills you need and which ones you are or are not able to perform
- Learn to say "no" to things you cannot do
- Learn to accept help from others
- Build resilience
- Identify your button-pushers/ stressors
- Identify your coping skills. Admit when you are experiencing burnout and get help
- Remember the big three for successful coping: Eat right, Exercise and Sleep.

### Grandparent-headed families — a vulnerable population

An estimated 2.7 million grandparents serve as surrogate parents to grandchildren in the United States (U.S. Census Bureau, 2017). The Society for Child and Family Policy and Practice found that while this family arrangement is generally considered more desirable for the well-being of the grandchildren than placement with non-relatives in the foster care system, it may be linked to negative consequences for the caregiving grandparent's well-being. Grandparent-headed families tend to be economically disadvantaged and headed by single women of racial-minority status, although they are represented across all socioeconomic and racial sectors. Parenting "later in life" often exacts its toll on custodial

grandparents. Research indicates that grandparents raising grandchildren have a propensity for diminished physical health as well as relatively high levels of psychological distress, including depression, which can interfere with their ability to effectively nurture and support the children in their care.

#### **Children Raised by Grandparents**

The vast majority of children raised by grandparents are in informal kinship care, which involves unofficial arrangements among family members; as a result, their families are not entitled to the same benefits and support services as official foster care families. This is of particular concern because custodial grandparents often lack the basic resources needed to raise grandchildren (e.g., adequate housing, clothes, beds, food). The lack of resources is exacerbated when they are thrust into assuming the care of their grandchildren with little or no time to prepare. The Area Agency's Grandparent Program can provide important information on resources available to grandparents raising grandchildren for needs such as education, health, mental health care, legal services and public benefits.

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grandparents access health care for themselves. This is particularly important because custodial grandparents tend to ignore their own health needs while attending to the myriad needs of the grandchildren in their care. This self-sacrificing, while admirable, could ultimately be detrimental to the well-being of the grandchildren they are raising. For instance, research findings indicate that poor physical health and increased stress levels in custodial grandparents is associated with increased behavior problems in the grandchildren they are rais-

ing. Furthermore, if grandparents become too ill to continue parenting, the grandchildren are likely to enter the foster care system leading to further emotional trauma. Lastly, because grandparents raising grandchildren often experience social isolation, the Area Agency on Aging's support groups for grandparents raising grandchildren are beneficial. Contact Violetta Simpson at the Area Agency on Aging at vsimpson@sarpc.org or 251-706-4633 07 706-4680 for information on the Alabama Cares grandparent program.



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# **COVID-19 Vaccinations and Boosters Available to the Homebound**

It can be very difficult to obtain vaccinations for those who are homebound due to disability, advanced age or bedbound status. We are very fortunate that the Health Departments in Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties will provide certain COVID-19 vaccinations and boosters in the home for those not able to go to a pharmacy or other medical provider. In Mobile County, homebound vaccines can be obtained by either filling out a short form online at

http://mchdcares.com/ or by calling Family Health at the Mobile County Health Department at 251-410-MCHD (6243). The phone number for the Baldwin County Health Department is 261-947-1910 and the Escambia County Health Department is 251-368-9188. The Area Agency on Aging can complete the on-line registrations for **COVID-19** vaccinations and boosters for persons needing this assistance, call us at 251-706-4680 for

help. COVID-19 vaccines available in the United States are effective at protecting people from getting seriously ill, being hospitalized, and dying. As with other diseases, you are protected best from COVID-19 when you stay up to date with the recommended vaccines, including recommended boosters. Updated COVID-19 boosters can both help restore protection that has decreased since previous

vaccination, and provide broader protection against newer variants. The updated, or bivalent boosters, target the most recent Omicron subvariants, BA.4 and BA.5, that are more contagious and more resistant than earlier strains of Omicron. You are up to date with your COVID-19 vaccines if you have completed a COVID-19 vaccine primary series and received the most recent booster dose recommended for you by CDC. Older adults should

also get an updated (bivalent) booster if all below apply. Age: 50 years or older Primary series: Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna Updated (bivalent) booster not yet received Length of time since last COVID-19 vaccine: At least 2 months ago The Area Agency on Aging encourages older adults to obtain recommended COVID-19 vaccinations and boosters to promote healthy, active aging.



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# **Circle of Friends program seeks to combat Loneliness and Social Isolation**

While loneliness has long been a serious problem for older adults, more attention is being placed on this due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Realization of the health and mental health issues exacerbated by safer at home orders, closed senior and community centers, suspended church services and events, fewer family gathering, and visitation restriction at hospitals, nursing and assisted living facilities has brought a face to the problem of loneliness

#### Loneliness Linked to Serious Health Conditions

Loneliness and social isolation in older adults are serious public health risks affecting a significant number of people in the United States. Older adults are at increased risk for loneliness and social isolation because they are more likely to face factors such as living alone, the loss of family or friends, chronic illness, and hearing loss.

The AARP Foundation and the National Council on Aging have allocated substantial resources to study the issue of loneliness and social isolation. These studies found that older adults who describe themselves as lonely have a 59% greater risk of functional decline and a 45% greater risk of death. Surveys reported 17% of adults age 65 and older are isolated (nearly 1 in 5), with 46% of women age 75 and older living alone Isolation is a health issue, with research showing that the negative health effects of chronic isolation and loneliness, while harmful at any age, are especially dangerous for people over 50. The health risks of prolonged isolation have been found to be equivalent to smoking 15 cigarettes a day. Social isolation and loneliness are associated with higher blood pressure, increased susceptibility to the flu, greater risk of heart disease, the earlier onset of dementia, depression and \$6.7 billion in additional Medicare spending annually.

Some of the most prevalent causes of isolation reported by the AARP Foundation are:

- Transportation challenges
- Poor health and well-being including hearing loss, mobility impairments, frailty and poor mental health.
- Societal barriers, such as lack of opportunities for older adults to engage and contribute, to have meaningful activities
- Lack of access and inequity, including issues of poverty, rural living and marginalized groups So what can help mitigate this? Even when the pandemic ends and the world opens back up more fully, loneliness will continue to be a challenge for older adults. The Area Agency on Aging is increasing resources to address this issue by developing the Circle of Friends program.

The Circle of Friends program will include: Intervention by a social worker to address needs and provide home visitation when indicated.

Friendly Calling: The telephone reassurance program is aimed at addressing feelings of social isolation and improving mental and emotional well-being through increased socialization and friendships. The Area Agency on Aging RSVP Volunteer program will be expanded to offer friendly phone visitation, and in-person visitation when indicated between matched "friends" utilizing volunteers who have been prescreened.

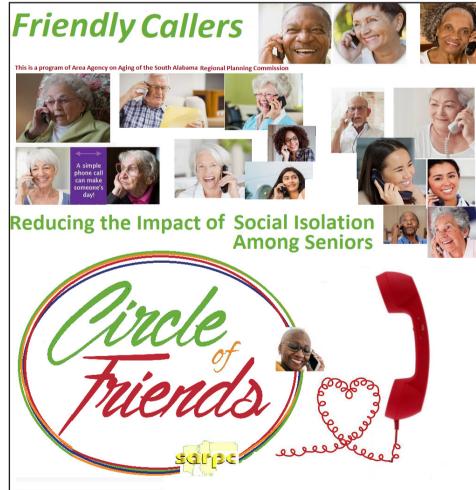
Social Isolation Resources: To improve social connectedness the Area Agency on Aging will provide the following resources:

 Feeling Good and Staying Connected workbooks to educate older adults about habits they can practice to prevent or reduce loneliness and social isolation, offers engagement activities, and provide methods to develop a self-management plan to improve social connections,

- On-line resources to include free access to many social, educational and health zoom classes through Connect2Affect and Trualta.
- Robotic pet dogs and cats for persons with dementia

The Area Agency on Aging will offer Trualta classes free on-line for for isolated caregivers. These resources help older adults stay mentally, spiritually and physically fit, with activities that reduce isolation and associated negative health and mental health impacts.

Circle of Friends is open to anyone age 60 or over in Mobile County who lives alone or is homebound, has little or no family or friend support, or simply would like someone to talk to on a regular basis. To volunteer for the friendly calling program, to sign up for Trualta classes, or to enroll in the Circle of Friends program, or to obtain a robotic pet for a person with dementia, contact the Area Agency on Aging at 251-706-4680.



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# **2022 Alabama Senior Citizens Hall Of Fame Recognizes Local Citizens**

An outstanding group of senior adults was honored Sunday, August 21, 2022, with induction into the Alabama Senior Citizens Hall of Fame during a ceremony in Montgomery. In addition to the 10 permanent inductees into the Hall of Fame, other seniors were recognized for contributions and service to their communities. The 2022 Senior Citizens Hall of Fame inductees included Ann P. Gordon and Mal Dewayne McGhee of Atmore; Special awards were presented to 19 senior citizens for outstanding service in other categories, including Lifetime Achievement, Community Service, Military, Religion, Government, and Volunteerism. Couples who have been married 65 years or more, and 22 individuals who are 100 years old or older, including Evelyn Turberville of Atmore, were also recognized during the program.

#### Ann P. Gordon Atmore -Escambia County

Ann Peacock Gordon was born in a small, rural community near Atmore. She had been an active realtor for over 45 years and still finds time to volunteer in her community and church where she focuses on service for senior adults and others in need. Gordon piloted a program for a national homebuilder to meet the needs of physically impaired individuals by providing adequate housing adapted for their special needs. "It is one of the most rewarding things I have ever done, and I still have indelibly etched tracks on my heart from that experience," she said. Gordon's generosity is clear evidence of her passion to help others. She provides Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets for senior adults, has stored furniture for flood victims, and has donated cars, property and money. Gordon not only gives resources; she gives her time. She has served on the local volunteer fire department board of directors; serves on the Atmore Community Foundation Advisory Committee; has served on the board of Peacock Enterprises, Peacock Pavers, and Enhance Architectural Products: and has volunteered with the adult literacy program. Gordon said she believes those who have surplus have a duty to do more for others. She said she has been abundantly blessed and has sought to fulfill that call.

#### Mal Dewayne McGhee Atmore - Escambia County

Mal McGhee is a member of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians located in Atmore and has spent his life working in his community. He was elected to serve on the Tribal Council at the age of 20 and served in many different positions. In 1987, McGhee completed the State Volunteer Fire Fighter Training Program and became a captain in the Poarch Community Fire Department, where he served for over 20 years. In 1990, he was elected president of the Judson Creek Indian Cemetery and continues to serve in this role. He oversees all maintenance and upkeep of the cemetery. He also meets with families who have lost a loved one to help locate a final resting place. Over the years, McGhee has volunteered with many Tribal and non-Tribal organizations including, Tribal Council, his local church, Rotary Club, local and state leadership groups, and recreational programs. McGhee's contributions have helped his Tribal community prosper. Because of his leadership and commitment Tribal seniors are well cared for with health care facilities, a senior housing village, senior food programs, vegetable



garden program, arts and crafts, transportation, and a supplemen-

tal financial program.

#### Community Service Award: Barbara Gibson Johnson - Mobile County

Barbara Johnson has devoted much time to senior citizens in Mobile. She served as counselor for the senior group ministry at Shiloh Baptist Church and began a food pantry there. She started a clothing ministry to donate to area churches and schools, and delivers gift baskets to shut-ins and those who are sick. Johnson worked with voter registration to encourage participation and organized over 20 churches to provide transportation to polling sites. She provided health care information to those in need and ensured there was transportation to health care appointments.

# Volunteering Provides Purpose, Engagement, New Challenges and Opportunities

South Alabama RSVP has office locations in Daphne and Atmore for local volunteers RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) is one of the largest volunteer networks in the nation, with RSVP programs serving the majority of Alabama communities. RSVP taps the skills, talents, and experiences of those ages 55 and over to meet a wide range of local community needs. The program offers opportunities to use skills and talents learned over a lifetime, while developing new ones. Diverse volunteer opportunities providing meaningful and rewarding volunteer experiences and contribute to the quality of life of the volunteer and the community.

Despite the pandemic, RSVP volunteers continue to serve. RSVP tax volunteers worked in Atmore, Flomaton, Daphne, Fairhope, Orange Beach, Poarch Creek, Robertsdale and Spanish Fort assisting 1962 taxpayers who received \$1,946,989 in refunds through the Tax Counseling for the Elderly program. Volunteers prepared and electronically submitted free tax returns for older persons. With events beginning to take place again, many volunteers help non-profits and local communities with special events,



South Alabama RSVP volunteers assisted with the Anchor Cross Cancer Foundation Annual Ball held at the Daphne Civic Center Saturday, June 11, 2022. Proceeds from the Ball help qualified patients by providing such financial relief as assistance with utility bills, aid for prescription co-pays, transportation to and from treatment, and purchase of necessary medical supplies. In 2021, ACCF granted nearly \$100,000 in total assistance to more than 100 patients, covering 280 bills or expenses related to the treatment of their disease.

and help with hurricane recovery, large vaccination clinics, food distributions and home delivered meals. A new Social Isolation project affords volunteers the opportunity to reach out and befriend a lonely person, check on their welfare and improve their quality of life. Other volunteers teach wellness classes, help at senior centers or visit nursing homes, help children improve reading skills, educate people on Medicare about their benefits, provide outreach on protecting oneself from fraud and abuse. and assist many local non-profits with a variety of activities. Persons interested in volunteering and agencies needing vol unteers are encouraged to call Martin Lee, South Alabama **RSVP** Director, at 251-236-3881 or Dawne Biggs at the City of Daphne at 620-1462. In Mobile County, call 574-7787.

# Legacy Leadership Institute for Older Adults

If you think you may want to volunteer but are unsure which direction you want to go, consider attending the Area Agency on Aging's free Legacy Leadership Institute for Older Adults to be held March 20-24, 2023. This one week program held on the campus of the University of South Alabama utilizes faculty and vising speakers to educate attendees

on aging issues and impactful volunteering. It is designed to help retired professionals and baby boomers find their niche in the world of volunteering among opportunities at the Area Agency on Aging and in their communities.

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# Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) continue to assist Medicare beneficiaries fight Medicare Fraud

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The AL SMP's key objectives are to continuously work in these three main areas: • Conduct Outreach and Education. The AL SMP gives presentations to groups, displays exhibits at events, and works one-on-one with Medicare beneficiaries.

Engage Volunteers. Protecting older persons' health, finances, and medical identity while saving Medicare dollars is a cause that attracts civic-minded Americans.
Receive Beneficiary Complaints. When Medicare beneficiaries, caregivers, and family members bring their complaints to the AL SMP, the AL SMP determines whether fraud, errors, and/or abuse is suspected. When fraud is suspected, AL SMP makes referrals to the appropriate federal agency for further investigation.

The SMP projects receive grants from the Administration for Community Living (ACL) to recruit and train retired professionals and other older adults and community members to prevent, recognize, and report health care fraud, errors, and abuse. These SMP team members then participate in outreach events to help educate Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries on the same prevention, recognition, and reporting techniques.

The SMP program model is one of prevention. SMPs educates Medicare beneficiaries to scrutinize their medical statements and bills and subsequently reduce fraud and errors. Though beneficiaries have several avenues they can take to report fraud, such as the Office of Inspector General (OIG) hotline or 1-800-Medicare, some beneficiaries choose to report fraud to the SMP. In these cases, SMPs refer the complaint to the appropriate entity.

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to present challenges but has created various service delivery options to include; virtual outreach including live webinars, teleconferences, recorded presentations, public service announcements, group listserv emails, and telephone calls.

Alabama SMP relies on volunteers to educate and empower Medicare beneficiaries to take an active role in the detection and prevention of health care fraud and abuse. To become an Alabama SMP volunteer or to receive assistance please call your local Area Agency on Aging (AAA) and Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) at 1-800-AGE-LINE (1-800-243-5463) or 251-706-4680

#### Trending Medicare Fraud Schemes COVID-19 SCAMS

Scams related to the coronavirus, also known as COVID-19, are rapidly increasing as the public health emergency continues. Scammers are targeting older adults and those with serious long-term health conditions who appear to have a higher risk for serious illness from COVID-19. Fraudsters are attempting to bill Medicare for sham tests or treatments related to the coronavirus and are targeting individuals to illegally obtain money or Medicare numbers. Report potential COVID-19 fraud, errors, or abuse if:

- You provided your Medicare number to someone other than your doctor, health care provider, or other trusted representative who contacted you through an unsolicited call, text, or email
- Someone comes to your door offering "free" coronavirus testing, treatment, or supplies
- You were told there was a COVID-19 Medicare card coming and you needed to confirm your Medicare number
- You took a survey and gave out your Medicare number in exchange for money or gifts
- You purchased a COVID-19 vaccination card

Medicare Marketing Scams

Unlike Original Medicare, Medicare Part C and Part D are administered, marketed, and sold by private insurance companies. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has guidelines for marketing Medicare Part C and Part D insurance that protect beneficiaries from manipulative and deceptive sales and enrollment tactics. Plan sponsors and their representatives, including agents and brokers, must follow strict guidelines when they wish to market to beneficiaries. A fundamental principle is that marketing cannot be conducted under the guise of education.

Medicare Marketing Violations serve a higher risk during the Medicare Open Enrollment Period, October15th through December 7th as plans solicit business based on changes for the new year.

Report potential Medicare marketing violations and/or enrollment fraud, errors, or abuse if:

- You receive an unsolicited phone call from a company you have no prior relationship with
- A company represents itself as coming from or sent by Medicare, Social Security, or Medicaid
- You receive information such as leaflets, flyers, door hangers, etc., on your car or at your residence from a company you did not have an appointment with
- An agent initiates a discussion about other insurance products, such as life insurance annuities, during a visit or meeting about a Part C or Part D Medicare product
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Pharmacy and Prescription Drug Fraud Pharmacy and prescription drug fraud is a consistent trend in Medicare. Due to the lucrative nature of prescription drug diversion and pharmacy scams, criminals continue to exploit Medicare Part D. Although there are many types of prescription drug schemes, pharmacy fraud primarily occurs when Medicare is billed for a medication that was not received or a beneficiary is intentionally given a different prescription drug than was prescribed. Report potential pharmacy or prescription drug fraud, errors, or abuse if:

- You see on your Medicare Summary Notice (MSN) or Explanation of Benefits (EOB) charges for:
- Prescription drugs (including refills) that were never picked up, delivered, or even prescribed
- Prescription drugs (occasionally controlled substances such as opioids) that were prescribed by a health care provider you have never seen
- Amounts beyond the quantity you were prescribed
- A different prescription drug (often a more expensive drug) than the one you were originally prescribed or a drug that is not approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
- A pharmacy intentionally provided you less medication than you were prescribed
- A pharmacy issued you expired drugs
- A pharmacy provided and billed for an expensive compounded medication, including topical pain creams, when a traditional or less expensive prescription was ordered by your provider
- A company offers you "free" or "discount" prescription drugs without a treating physician's order and then bills Medicare
- A pharmacy offers you gift cards or other compensation, so you switch your prescriptions over to that pharmacy
- A pharmacy automatically refills a prescription you no longer need. You do not pick up the prescription, but the pharmacy still bills Medicare
- An individual offers to pay you for the use of your Medicare number to bill for prescription drugs or offers you cash or other compensation to pick up prescriptions on your behalf

Telehealth Fraud

Due to the recent expansion of telehealth services and the ease in which this fraud can be committed, criminals are exploiting this new technology for fraudulent purposes. Medicare will cover telehealth services, including office visits, psychotherapy, consultations, and certain other medical or health services that are provided by an eligible provider who isn't at your location, that are performed via an interactive, twoway telecommunications system (like realtime audio and video).

Report potential telehealth fraud, errors, or abuse if:

- You receive an unsolicited phone call from someone wanting to verify your pain symptoms. This is more than likely a telehealth doctor trying to approve you for durable medical equipment (DME) that you do not need or did not request
- You receive an unsolicited phone call from someone wanting to verify your family history of cancer. This is more than likely a telehealth doctor trying to approve you for a genetic testing kit that actually needs to be ordered by your treating physician

#### Consequences of Medicare Fraud Medical Identity Theft

Medical identity theft occurs when a beneficiary's Medicare number is misused, either by a provider, a supplier, or by someone posing as the real beneficiary in order to receive medical care. Such Medicare numbers are considered "compromised." A beneficiary whose number is compromised may be affected forever by false claims against his or her Medicare number. <u>Health Impact</u>

Receiving health care from a fraudulent provider can mean the quality of the care is poor, the intervention is not medically necessary, or worse: The intervention is actually harmful. A beneficiary may later receive improper medical treatment from legitimate providers as a result of inaccurate medical records that contain:

- False diagnoses
- Records showing treatments that never occurred
- Misinformation about allergiesIncorrect lab results

Additionally, because of inaccurate or fraudulent claims to Medicare, beneficiaries may be denied needed Medicare benefits. For example, some services have limits. If Medicare thinks such services were already provided, they will deny payment. Personal Financial Losses

Medicare fraud, errors, and abuse can all result in higher out-of-pocket costs for beneficiaries, such as copayments for health care services that were never provided, were excessive, or were medically unnecessary. Beneficiaries may also find themselves stuck with bills for services from providers who should have billed Medicare but instead billed the beneficiary for the entire cost of that service.

If you believe your Medicare number has been misused, contact your local SMP at 1-800-243-5463 or 251-706-4680



# **ASHL Meet Again After 2 Years**

The Alabama Silver Haired Legislature (ASHL) meet in session Oct.3-5, 2022 after a 2 year break due to the pandemic. Commissioner Jean Brown of the Alabama Department Senior Services was the featured speaker. Attending from the South Alabama delegation were Chairperson Ann Burhans and ASHL members Carolyn Davis, Linda Davis, Betty Graves Houston, Violetta Simpson and Barbara Wheeler.

The top 5 resolutions passed by the statewide ASHL membership in 2022 were:

- Seniors right to vote on lottery and casino gambling
- Abolish payday lending institutions
- Allow video cameras in nursing homes
- Increase programs for mental health
- Maintain/Increase funding for the Area Agencies on Aging and Alabama Department of Senior Services

The Alabama Silver Haired Legislature (ASHL) is a nonpartisan, non-profit model legislature of citizen volunteers ages 60 and older who represent the interests of older Alabamians. Major activities of the ASHL include meeting with senior citizens, identifying their needs and addressing those needs through resolutions presented to the governor and members of the Legislature.

Every year, the ASHL meets for



an annual session in October modeled after the operation of the Alabama House of Representatives. Members of the ASHL are elected by peers to two-year terms for all of the state's 105 legislative districts, paralleling membership in the Alabama State House of Representatives. Elections are conducted by the 13 state Area Agencies on Aging the first Tuesday in May of each election cycle. To be elected, one must be 60 years old or older; registered to vote in Alabama; a resident of the district or area to be represented; not employed by an Area Agency on Aging; not a paid lobbyist; and not a member of the Alabama State Legislature or a candidate for office. For more information about participating in the ASHL in Mobile, Baldwin or Escambia counties contact Ann Burhans, Delegation Chair at annburhans@aol.com or contact Julie McGee, Area Agency on Aging director at jmcgee@sarpc.org or 251-706-4623.

# **SENIOR DIREC**

These listings are provided as a service to senior citizens in Baldwin, Escambia and Mobile Counties. Inclusion in these listings does not constitute an endorsement by SARPC or the Area Agency on Aging.

LOCAL AGING INFORMATION AND REFERRAL Aging and Disability Resource Center/Area Agency on Aging 251-706-4680 800-243-5463 www.facebook.com/agingsouthalabama

#### Baldwin County Council on Aging

Eastern Shore/Bay Minette 251-928-3002 Robertsdale 251-972-8506 North Baldwin Area 251-937-9561 www.baldwincountyal.gov

**Escambia County Agency on Aging** 251-368-1032, Ext 102 www.co.escambia.al.us

Independent Living Center of Mobile (Assistance for Persons w/ Disabilities) Baldwin, Escambia, and Mobile Counties: 251-460-0301 TDD: 251-460-2872 Video Phone: 251-281-2442 ilcmobile.org

National Eldercare Locator (Locate Area Agency on Aging in your state) 800-677-1116 www.eldercare.gov

United Way Information and Referral Mobile 251-433-3624 http://www.uwswa.org

Via Health, Fitness and Enrichment Center 251-478-3311 http://www.viamobile.org

#### AGING ORGANIZATIONS -NATIONAL AND STATE AARP Alabama

866-542-8167 888-687-2277 www.aarp.org Alabama Department of Senior Services 1-800-243-5463 www.alabamaageline.gov

American Society on Aging 800-537-9728 www.asaging.org

National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare 800-998-0180 www.ncpssm.org

National Council on Aging 571-527-3900 www.ncoa.org

Administration for Community Living 202-401-4634 www.acl.gov

**EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEMS** Acadian Monitoring Services 1-855-222-3426

www.acadianmonitoringservices.com

Alert 1 1-877-959-7781 www.alert-1.com

Lifeline 855-681-5351 lifeline.philips.com

#### LogicMark

Guardian Alert 911 Pendant acts like a phone, calling for emergency assistance 800-519-2419 www.logicmark.com

Project LifeSaver (Wandering)

Mobile County: 251-574-2423 Baldwin County: 251-972-8545 Escambia County: 251-809-0741 www.projectlifesaver.org

**EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS** 

Facilities offering free classes to older adults are marked with an asterisk (\*):

**Bishop State Community College\*** Mobile: 251-405-7000 In state: 800-523-7235 www.bishop.edu

#### Center of Continuing Education at University of South Alabama

University of South Alabama Office of Adult Learner Services (OALS) 251-460-6257 www.southalabama.edu

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**Coastal Alabama Community College** Main: 1-800-381-3722 www.coastalalabama.edu

**Springhill College** Gerontology Certificate, Graduate and Continuing Studies Mobile: 251-380-4000 www.shc.edu/academics/continuing-studies

#### HOME DELIVERED MEALS MOBILE COUNTY Area Agency on Aging

We offer frozen home delivered meals in areas not served by Senior Nutrition Centers, non-profits and churches. 251-706-4680

**City of Chickasaw** 251-452-6466

Cottage Hill Baptist Church 251-660-2422

**Dauphin Way Methodist** 251-471-1511 251-378-7535

**Government Street Presbyterian** 251-432-1749

**Mom's Meals** 877-508-6667 www.momsmeals.com

**City of Satsuma** 251-675-1440

Springhill Baptist 251-342-5320

**Springhill Presbyterian Church** 251-342-1550

**St. Paul's Episcopal Church** 251-342-8521

**St. Ignatius Catholic Church** 251-342-9221

**BALDWIN COUNTY Baldwin County Council on Aging** We offer frozen home delivered meals in areas not served by Senior Nutrition

Centers, Non-profits and churches. 251-972-8506 Christian Service Center – Gulf Shores

251-968-3634 251-531-8374 **Ecumenical Ministry** Eastern Shore: 251-270-9990 Foley: 251-278-5347

**Mom's Meals** 877-508-6667 www.momsmeals.com

Orange Beach Methodist Church 251-981-6751

**ESCAMBIA COUNTY Escambia County Agency on Aging** We offer frozen home delivered meals in areas not served by Senior Nutrition Centers, Non-profits and churches. 251-368-1032

**Mom's Meals** 877-508-6667 www.momsmeals.com

#### **SENIOR NUTRITION CENTERS** Centers offering home delivered meals are marked below with an astrisk (\*). For additional sites see Home Delivered meals section

Atmore Senior Center\* Escambia County 251-368-5742

Bay Minette Senior Center\* Baldwin County 251-580-1693

**Bayou La Batre Senior Center\*** Mobile County 251-824-4616

**Citronelle Senior Center\*** Mobile County 251-866-5047

**Creola Senior Center\*** Mobile County 251-675-7661

Daphne Senior Center\* Baldwin County 251-620-2400

**Dearborn YMCA Senior Center\*** Mobile County 251-432-4768

**Dumas Wesley Senior Center\*** Mobile County 251-479-0649 East Brewton Senior Center\* Escambia County 251-867-5568

Flomaton Senior Center\* Escambia County 251-296-2773

**Grand Bay Senior Center\*** Mobile County 251-865-4010

Hillsdale Senior Center\* Mobile County 251-344-0341

Huxford Senior Center\* Escambia County 251-294-5646

**Little River Center** Baldwin County 251-294-5646

Loxley Senior Center\* Baldwin County 251-964-5330

Mount Vernon Senior Center\* Mobile County 251-829-9696

MOWA Choctaw Mobile County 251-829-6080

Parkway Senior Center\* Mobile County 251-471-2503

Prichard Senior Center\* Mobile County 251-452-7918

Saraland Senior Center\* Mobile County 251-375-5438

Summerdale Senior Center Baldwin County 251-989-6626

**Thomas Sullivan Senior Center\*** Mobile County 251-438-7282

**Tillman's Corner Senior Center** Mobile County 251-661-6600

Trinity Gardens Senior Center\* Mobile County 251-456-6690

Wilmer Senior Center\* Mobile County 251-645-9209 Vaughn Senior Center \* Baldwin County 251-937-4228

SENIOR MULTIPURPOSE CENTERS Offer recreation and wellness activities for older adults:

Baldwin County Council on Aging Baldwin County 251-972-8506 www.co.baldwin.al.us

**Bay Minette Senior Center** Baldwin County 251-580-1676 www.cityofbayminette.org

Chickasaw Senior Citizens Mobile County 251-452-6464 cityofchickasaw.org

**City of Mobile Adult Center** Mobile County 251-666-3922

**Connie Hudson Mobile Regional Senior Community Center** Mobile County 251-602-4963 www.cityofmobile.org

Foley Senior Center Baldwin County 251-943-1877 www.cityoffoley.org/senior-center

James P. Nix Adult Activity Center Fairhope – Baldwin County 251-928-2835 www.fairhopeal.gov

Loxley Civic Center/Senior Program Baldwin County 251-964-4995 www.townofloxley.org

**Orange Beach Activity Center** Baldwin County 251-981-3440 www.orangebeachal.gov

**Poarch Creek Indians Senior Center** Escambia County 251-368-9136 ext. 2617 www.pci-nsn.gov

**Robertsdale/G. P. Thames Senior Center** Baldwin County 251-947-8973 www.robertsdale.org/senior-center

Saraland Senior Center Mobile County 251-375-5439 www.saraland.org/senior-center Satsuma Senior Program Mobile County 251-675-440 ex.304 www.cityofsatsuma.com

#### Semmes Senior Center Mobile County

251-649-2010 cityofsemmesal.gov

**Spanish Fort Senior Center** Baldwin County 251-410-6523 SENIOR CENTER | City of Spanish Fort

Via Health, Fitness and Enrichment Center Mobile County 251-478-3311 viamobile.org

#### SUPPORT GROUPS Alzheimer's support groups

Alzheimer's Association 800-272-3900 www.alz.org

**E.A. Roberts Alzheimer Center** Mobile County: 251-435-6950

www.infirmaryhealth.org

#### Frontotemporal Degeneration and Related Dementia Support Group

Contact the FTD Group Facilitator, Jerry Horn 251-367-5458 Helpline: 866-507-7222 www.theaftd.org

#### Gulf Coast Dementia Services Support Group 251-445-4204

www.gcseniorservices.com www.touchingheartsseniorcare.com

Haven Memory Care – Gulf Shores 251-923-2800 www.communityseniorlife.org

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Dauphin Way Baptist Church, Bishop's Meeting Room Mobile County: 251-471-1511 www.dauphinwayumc.org

#### OTHER SUPPORT GROUPS

#### Southwest Alabama Alcoholics Anonymous

Mobile County: 251-479-9994 www.mobileaa.org South Baldwin County: 251-216-1182 gulfcoastaa.org Eastern Shore: 251-929-8817 www.easternshoreaa.org Alabama Disabilities Advocacy Program 205-348-4928 Toll Free: 800-826-1675 www.adap.ua.edu

#### Alabama Institute for the Deaf and Blind – Low Vision Support Group 251-432-7777

www.aidb.org

#### Alabama Kidney Foundation

Mobile: 251-721-0235 www.alkidney.org

American Cancer Society Helpline: 1-800-227-2345 www.cancer.org

American Stroke Association 888-478-7653 www.stroke.org

Amputee Coalition of America 888-267-5669 www.amputee-coalition.org

Better Breathers Support Group 251-461-2438 www.lung.org

**Epilepsy Foundation of Alabama** Mobile County: 251-341-0170 www.epilepsy.com

#### **Gateways to Grandparenting**

Gulf Shores United Methodist Church 251-968-2411 www.gulfshoresumc.org/outreach/ grandparents

#### National Alliance for the Mentally III (NAMI)

Alabama: 800-626-4199 Mobile County: 251-461-3450 Baldwin County: 251-279-0573 www.nami.org

National Multiple Sclerosis Society 800-344-4867 www.nationalmssociety.org

**Providence Hospital Diabetes Center** 251-266-1987 healthcare.ascension.org

#### Widowed Persons Services

Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties 251-470-6866

www.widowedmobile.org

**Trualta** – Free Online Support Group provides the training you need to care for your loved one. Contact Della Sanchez, AL Cares Coordinator @ 251-706-7650 or dellasanchez@sarpc.org.

#### TRANSPORTATION AARP Driver Safety Program

Call for class locations 888-227-7669 www.aarp.org

#### Baldwin Rural Area Transit System (BRATS)

Eastern Shore: 251-990-4636 Foley, Central or South Baldwin County: 251-972-6817 Bay Minette, North Baldwin County: 251-937-0355 www.baldwincountyal.gov/departments/ BRATS

#### City of Chickasaw – Senior and Disabled Van

251-452-6464, 251-452-6450 www.cityofchickasaw.org/residents/seniorcitizens

**City of Saraland – Senior and Disabled Van** Mobile: 251-375-5439

#### Escambia County Alabama Transportation System (ECATS)

Atmore: 251-446-9681 Brewton: 251-867-0584 www.escambiacountyal.gov

**GoGo Grandparent** 855-464-6872 https://gogograndparent.com

Medical Transport of Alabama 888-318-6362 or 888-599-2050 www.mtalabama.com

**Taylor's House of Camellias LLC** 251-225-4440

**The WAVE (City of Mobile)** Mobile: 251-344-6600 Mobility Assistance Programs 251-344-5656 www.thewavetransit.com

#### **ZTrip Mobile**

251-476-7711, 877-662-2384 https://www.mobile.org

#### VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS AARP Alabama

Chapter 56, Mobile, AL: 251-445-5243 National AARP: 866-542-8167 www.aarp.org

#### Alabama Silver-Haired Legislature

Mobile, Escambia and Baldwin Counties: 251-706-4680 or 800-243-5463 (Elected by peers age 60 or older every two years to represent older adults in same Alabama House District involving the political process to support resolutions to improve the quality of life of older Alabamians) alabamaageline.gov

#### Area Agency on Aging/SARPC

Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties 251-706-4680 or 800-243-5463 (Volunteers trained to provide SHIP insurance counseling to older adults; Ombudsman services for residents of nursing homes or assisted living facilities; teach wellness classes; or train to work in disaster recovery centers after a hurricane or other disaster)

#### Foster Grandparents Program

Mobile County: 251-574-6488 Provides small stipend to volunteers age 55 or older who work with children. www.mobilecountyal.gov

#### Legacy Leadership Institute for Older Adults

Mobile, Escambia and Baldwin Counties: 251-236-3881, 251-706-4680 Free university-based training to prepare retired professionals for challenging volunteer opportunities in aging services. Sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging and the University of South Alabama. libguides.southalabama.edu/legacy

#### Mobile County Sheriff's Volunteer Corp

251-574-2423 ext. 2415 Volunteers work with the Yellow Dot Program, Child ID Division, Process Service Division, Parolee Verification Unit or Warrant Search and Call Division. www.mobileso.com

#### **RSVP of Mobile County**

251-574-7787 Provides a wide variety of volunteer opportunities. www.nationalservice.gov

#### South Alabama RSVP

Eastern Shore: 251-620-1462 Escambia County: 251-236-3881 Provides a wide variety of volunteer opportunities.

#### Senior Companion Program

Mobile County: 251-574-3232 Provides small stipend to volunteers age 55 or older providing in-home assistance for the elderly & disabled www.mobilecountyal.gov

#### **Volunteer Connect**

Provides a wide variety of volunteer opportunities. Mobile County: 251-433-3624 www.volunteer.uwswa.org

#### Volunteer Guardian Program

Via Health, Fitness and Enrichment Center 251.470.5222 or VGP HOTLINE: 251.219.8477

Mobile County Probate Court-appointed Volunteer Guardians to support incapacitated individuals by making decisions related to basic needs, medical treatment and end of life care. Must be 21 or older, compassionate and caring and have 4-6 hours per month to spare.

http://viamobile.org/index.php/services/ volunteer-guardian-program

#### Volunteers of America Southeast

251-300-3500, 800-859-4431 Provides a wide variety of volunteer opportunities. www.voase.org

#### WELLNESS PROGRAMS Connie Hudson Mobile Regional Senior Community Center

Mobile County: 251-602-4963 www.cityofmobile.org

#### Homestead Village Wellness Center

Baldwin County: 251-929-0260

#### Infirmary Health Fitness Center

North Baldwin Fitness Center, Bay Minette: 251-937-9099 ProHealth Fitness Center, Mobile: 251-435-2010 Thomas Fitness Center, Fairhope: 251-279-1684 www.infirmaryhealth.org/services/infirmaryfitness-centers

#### James P. Nix Senior Center

Baldwin County: 251-928-2835 www.fairhopeal.gov/services/james-p-nixcenter

#### Providence Rehabilitation and Wellness Center

Mobile County: 251-266-2090 healthcare.ascension.org

#### SARPC/AAA

"A Matter of Balance: Managing Concerns about Falls" courses help Alabamians age healthier and safer. 251-706-4680, 800-243-5463

#### Senior Circle, South Baldwin Regional Medical Center

Baldwin County: 251-949-3563 www.southbaldwinrmc.com/senior-circleprogram

#### Senior Olympics

Statewide: 205-607-0504 www.alseniorolympics.org **Senior Spirit, Providence Hospital** Mobile County: 251-633-1696 press #2 healthcare.ascension.org

#### Via! Health, Fitness and Enrichment Center

Mobile County: 251-478-3311 www.viamobile.org

#### YMCA

Bounds Family YMCA (Daphne): 251-626-0888 Brewton Area YMCA: 251-867-9622 www.brewtonareaymca.org Dearborn YMCA (Mobile): 251-432-4768 www.dearbornymca.org Hearin-Chandler Family YMCA (Mobile): 251-344-4856 John McClure Snook Family YMCA (Foley): 251-970-3003 North Mobile Family YMCA (Saraland): 251-679-8877

#### **ELDER LAW** Alabama State Bar Lawyer Referral Service 800-354-6154 alabar.org

Davis and Fields, PC Baldwin County: 251-621-1555 www.davis-fields.com/

**Galloway, Wettermark & Rutens** Robert Galloway Mobile and Baldwin County: 251-476-4493 www.gallowayllp.com

#### **Gulf Coast Elder Law, LLC** Stephanie L. Booth 251-445-7000

**Kyla G. Kelim** Baldwin and Mobile Counties 251-281-8120 www.elderconsults.com

#### **Legal Services Alabama**

Mobile, Baldwin, and Escambia Counties: 251-433-6560 866-456-4995 Senior Helpline: 866-456-3959 866-785-1798 – Spanish www.legalservicesalabama.org

#### Lusk Law Firm Robert E. Lusk, Jr.

251-471-8017 www.lusklawfirmllc.com

#### Mobile Bar Association 251-433-9790 mobilebarassociation.com

South Alabama Volunteer Lawyer Program Mobile and Baldwin Counties: 251-438-1102

# www.savlp.org

#### **The Ladd Firm, LLC** 251-431-6014 Special Needs Planning https://www.laddfirm.com

#### ELDER RIGHTS -ABUSE AND FRAUD Adult Protective Services Department of Human Resources

Mobile County: 251-450-7000 (1st option, language/2nd option #3) Baldwin County: 251-945-2400 Escambia County: 251-809-2000 State of Alabama Elder Abuse Hotline: 800-458-7214 www.dhr.state.al.us

#### **Alabama Attorney General**

334-242-7300 www.alabamaag.gov

#### Alabama Securities Commission

334-242-2984 www.asc.state.al.us

**Center for Fair Housing, Inc.** 251-479-1532 southserves.southalabama.edu

Charity Navigator 201-818-1288 www.charitynavigator.org

#### District Attorney's Office

Baldwin County: Robert Wilthers 251-937-0274 www.baldwincountydistrictattorney.com Escambia County: Stephen Billy 251-867-0239 www.co.escambia.al.us Mobile County: Ashley W. Rich 251-574-8400 www.mobileda.org

#### Long Term Care Ombudsman Program

Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties: 251-706-4680, 800-243-5463

#### **Medicare Fraud**

251-706-4680, 800-633-4227, TTY 877-486-2048 medicare.gov/forms-help-resources/helpfight-medicare-fraud

#### US Dept. of Health and Human Services – OIG oig.hhs.gov/

**Senior Medicare Patrol** 877-808-2468 251-706-4680

#### DISASTER ASSISTANCE Aging and Disability Resource Center

Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties: 251-706-4680

#### **Emergency Management Agency**

Mobile County: 251-460-8000 www.mcema.net Baldwin County: 251-972-6807

#### baldwincountyal.gov Escambia County:251-867-0232 co.escambia.al.us

United Way

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#### EMPLOYMENT

**Goodwill Easter Seals Senior Aides** Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties: 251-300-6273

#### SARPC Staffing

Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties: 251-652-0585, 800-243-5463 www.sarpc.org

#### **SARPC Senior Aides Program**

Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties: 251-652-0585, 800-242-5463 www.sarpc.org

### Southwest Alabama Partnership for Training and Employment/Alabama Works

Bay Minette: 251-937-4161 Brewton: 251-867-4376 Foley: 251-943-1575 Mobile: 251-451-4146 www.swapte.org alabamaworks.alabama.gov

#### **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

**American Red Cross** Mobile: 251-544-6100 Atmore: 251-368-3643 Foley: 251-544-6100 www.redcross.org

#### **Benefits Enrollment Center**

Mobile, Baldwin, Escambia Counties: 800-243-5463 www.sarpc.org

#### **Catholic Social Services**

St. Teresa of Calcutta Senior Ministry: 251-434-1550 Mobile County: 251-434-1500 Baldwin County: 251-947-2293 www.catholicsocialservicesmobile.com

#### **Christian Service Center**

Gulf Shores, Orange Beach, Ft. Morgan 251-968-5256 www.cscgs.com

#### **Community Action Agency**

Mobile County: 251-457-5700 Baldwin County: 251-626-2646 Brewton: 251-867-4759 www.caaofsa.org



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#### Credit Bureaus

Equifax: 888-378-4329 www.equifax.com Experian: 800-831-5614 www.experian.com Trans Union: 855-681-3796 www.transunion.com

#### **Ecumenical Ministries**

Fairhope: 251-928-3430 Foley: 251-943-3445 www.baldwinemi.org

#### Feeding the Gulf Coast

Mobile, Baldwin, and Escambia Counties: 251-653-1617 www.feedingthegulfcoast.org

### Food Assistance, Department of Human Resources

Mobile: 251-450-6955 Baldwin:251-945-2400 Escambia: 251-809-2000 www.dhr.alabama.gov

#### Foreclosure Hotline, Alabama State Bar

877-393-2333 www.alabamaadr.org

#### Independent Living Center of Mobile

251-460-0301 ilcmobile.org

#### Love All Pantry Mobile County 251-432-0591 www.loveallpantry.org

Lifelines Family Counseling Services Lifelines Consumer Credit Counseling Reverse Mortgage Counseling 251-602-0909 www.lifelinesmobile.org

North Baldwin Ecumenical Association 251-937-8115 Tuesdays & Thursdays only, 9-12

Prodisee Pantry Mobile: 251-626-1720 www.prodiseepantry.org

#### SafeLink Wireless

Free cellular phone and service: 800-723-3546 www.safelinkwireless.com

#### Salvation Army

Mobile County: 251-438-1625 Baldwin County: 251-943-3883 National: 800-725-2769 www.salvationarmyusa.org

#### **United Way**

Mobile County: 251-433-3624 Baldwin County: 251-943-2110 uwswa.org Via Health, Fitness and Enrichment Center Mobile County: 251-478-3311 www.viamobile.org

#### HOME REPAIR & WEATHERIZATION Community Action

Mobile County: 251-457-5700 www.mcamobile.org Baldwin County: 251-626-2646 Escambia County: 251-867-4759 www.caaofsa.org

#### **Ecumenical Ministries**

Eastern Shore: 251-928-3430 Foley: 251-943-3445 www.baldwinemi.org

#### Independent Living Center (RAMPS)

Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties 251-460-0301 ilcmobile.org

#### **Southwest Habitat for Humanity** 251-476-7171 habitatswalabama.org

Baldwin County: 251-943-7268 habitatbaldwin.org

#### PRESCRIPTION ASSISTANCE AAA SenioRx (Prescription Assistance Program)

Mobile County: 251-706-4680 Baldwin County: 251-972-8506 Escambia County: 251-368-1032

**Franklin Primary Health Center, Pharmacy** Mobile County: 251-432-4117 www.franklinprimary.org

#### Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Program

Medicare: 800-633-4227 www.medicare.gov Local State Health Insurance Program Coordinator: 251-706-4680, 800-243-5463

Mobile County Health Dept. Mobile County: 251-690-8889 www.mcdh.org

#### **Mostellar Medical Center** Irvington: 251-824-2174 www.mostellarmedical.org

**Ozanam Charitable Pharmacy** Mobile County: 251-432-4111 www.ozanampharmacy.org

**Pure Life Pharmacy** Mobile and Baldwin Counties 251-424-1544 pureliferx.com

#### **The Hope Center** 251-455-2273 3circlechurch.com/hopecenter

Veterans Affairs 251-219-3900, 800-827-1000 www.va.gov

#### Low Cost Generic Prescriptions

Programs available at Publix, Sam's Club, Target, Walgreens and Walmart – contact your local store for information about which drugs are offered at a discount.

#### TAX COUNSELING Goodwill Gulf Coast

Mobile County: 251-300-6278

#### RSVP

Escambia County: 251-867-0255 Baldwin County: 251-620-1462

United Way Mobile County: 251-219-0606

#### **INSURANCE RESOURCES** Alabama Department of Insurance 334-269-3550 www.aldoi.gov

Alabama Medicaid Agency Statewide: 251-472-4360 or 800-362-1504 www.medicaid.alabama.gov

#### Alabama Quality Assurance Foundation 205-970-1600 www.aqaf.com

**Department of Veterans Affairs** 800-827-1000 www.va.gov

#### Medicare 800-633-4227 www.medicare.gov

#### **Medicare Fraud** State of Alabama: 800-243-5463 Senior Medicare Patrol: 251-706-4680

#### Railroad Retirees – Medicare Claims Information 877-772-5772, TTY: 877-566-3572 www.rrb.gov

#### **Social Security Administration**

866-593-1922, 800-772-1213, TTY: 800-325-0778 www.ssa.gov

#### **State Health Insurance Counseling Program (SHIP)** 1-800-Ageline (1-800-243-5463) or 251-706-4680

Tri Care for Life (Retirees) 866-773-0404, TTY, 866-773-0405 www.tricare.mil

#### MEDICARE ADVANTAGE COMPANIES Aetna Medicare Solutions 855-335-1407

www.aetnamedicare.com

#### Ascension Complete

844-578-1926 (TTY 711) medicare.ascensioncomplete.com

#### Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alabama 888-627-4715 (TTY 711) www.bcbsal.org

**Cigna Healthspring of Alabama, Inc.** 888-281-7867 www.cigna.com

#### **Devoted Health**

877-764-9446 www.devoted.com

Humana Insurance Company 844-330-8004 www.humana.com

United Healthcare- AARP Medicare Complete 855-332-0910 (TTY 711) www.aarphealthcare.com

Viva Medicare Plus 888-830-8482 www.vivamedicaremember.com

Wellcare 866-527-0056 www.wellcarenow.com

#### MEDICARE SAVINGS PROGRAM

(Subsidy that pays all or part of Medicare B & D premiums and may help with co-payments and deductibles)

Alabama Medicaid Agency Statewide: 800-362-1504 www.medicaid.alabama.gov

#### Social Security Administration, Low Income Subsidy 800-772-1213 www.ssa.gov

State Health Insurance Program

Mobile County: 251-706-4680 Baldwin County: 251-972-8506 Escambia County: 251-368-1032 800-243-5463 (Alabama)

#### MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT/SELECT COMPANIES

For a list of companies providing Medicare Supplemental or Select policies in Alabama visit www.medicare.gov/medigapsupplemental-insurance-plans

For all of your Medicare questions contact: **Area Agency on Aging** 251-706-4680 251-706-4617

#### AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE SERVICES :

**DENTAL Alabama Donated Dental Services** Statewide: 334-834-1114

#### Baldwin Denture Center, LLC

Baldwin County: 251-621-9404 www.baldwindenturecenter.com

Brewton Family Dental Center 251-867-8020

#### **Dixie Dental Center**

Baldwin County: 251-910-9547 www.dixiedental.com

Franklin Primary Health Center, Dental Clinic

Mobile County: 251-432-4117 www.franklinprimary.org

### Mobile County Health Department 251-690-8158

251-090-8158 mchd.org/familyhealth-services

#### U-Save Dentistry (Dentures)

Mobile County: 251-338-3204 www.usavedentistry.net

#### Victory Health Clinic

Mobile County: 251-445-0611 www.victoryhealth.org

#### HEALTH & REHABILITATION Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services

State Offices: 334-293-7500, 844-602-7245 SAIL Services: 251-479-8611, 888-388-3245 Vocational Rehab Services: 251-479-8611, 800-441-7607, TTY 800-499-1816 www.rehab.alabama.gov

#### Baldwin County Health Department

Health and Environmental Clinic: 251-947-3618 Robertsdale – Health Clinic: 251-947-1910 www.adph.org

#### Escambia County Health Department

Atmore: 251-368-9188 Brewton: 251-867-5765 www.alabamapublichealth.gov/escambia

#### Franklin Primary Health Centers

Brewton: Medical- 251-236-8250, Dental- 251-867-8020 Loxley: 251-964-4011 Maysville: 251-471-3747 Mobile, MLK Ave: 251-432-4117 Mobile, H.E. Savage Memorial Center: 251-694-1801 Mobile, Hadley Medical Center: 251-444-1000 Mobile, Central Plaza Towers: 251-434-2290 Mobile, J.R. Thomas Center: 251-432-7189 North Baldwin: 251-706-8700 North Mobile, Charles White Family Health Center: 251-444-1100 Prichard, Aiello/Buskey Medical Center: 251-452-1442 Prichard, Dr. Thomas Medical Center: 251-301-7011 Prichard: Prevention and Education Center (Substance Abuse): 251-434-8195 South Baldwin, Foley: 251-947-1083 West Mobile: 251-344-1964 www.franklinprimary.org

**Goodwill Easter Seals** Mobile: 251-471-1581 www.gesgc.org

#### Mercy Life Alabama (PACE) Mobile: 251-287-8420 www. trinityhealthpace.org/alabama/mercy-life-ofalabama/

#### Mobile County Health Department

Citronelle Dental Center – 251-866-5585 Citronelle Health Center – 251-866-5940 Dauphin Island Parkway Health Center – 251-445-3450

Eight Mile Health Center – 251-456-1399 Downtown Mobile Health Center – 251-690-8158 Mobile Medical Unit I and II – 251-690-8823 Women's Health Center – 251-405-4524 North Baldwin Rural Health Center (Bay Minette) – 251-690-8889 North Mobile Health Center (Mt. Vernon) – 251-829-

9884 Semmes Health Center – 251-445-0582 Southwest Health Center (Tillman's Corner) – 251-666-7413 USA Children's and Women's Hospital – 251-415-1000 Women's Health Center – 251-690-8935 mchd.org/family-health

#### **Mostellar Medical Center**

Mobile County: 251-824-2174 www.mostellarmedical.org

#### USA Physicians Group

Eastern Shore (Fairhope): 251-660-5860 Family Medicine Center (Center Street): 251-434-3475 Hillcrest: 251-660-5940 Mastin Center (University Hospital Road): 251-470-5890 Semmes Primary Care: 251-660-5840 Stanton Road: 251-471-7207 Strada Center: 251-434-3711 USA Mobile Diagnostic Center (Airport Blvd.): 251-633-8880 USA Mobile Diagnostic Center (University Commons): 251-660-5787 West Mobile (Schillinger): 251-660-5950 www.usahealthsystem.com

#### Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic

Mobile County: 251-219-3900 Ext. 33672 www.va.gov

Victory Health Partners Mobile County: 251-460-0999 www.victoryhealth.org

#### HEARING

Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services Blind and Deaf Services 334-293-7500 Mobile: 251-439-7890, 800-879-8163

#### Alabama Institute for the Deaf and Blind

Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties: 251-432-7777 www.aidb.org/mobile

#### Veteran's Hearing Aides

Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties: 251-219-3900 www.prosthetics.va.gov

#### MENTAL HEALTH & SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICE Alcoholics Anonymous

Mobile County: 251-479-9994 www.mobileaa.org Gulf Coast: 251-216-1182 gulfcoastaa.org Eastern Shore: 251-301-6773 www.easternshoreaa.org Spanish Helpline 251-301-6882

#### **Alta Pointe Health Systems**

251-450-2211 888-335-3044 www.altapointe.org

#### **Catholic Social Services**

Mobile County: 251-434-1500 Robertsdale: 251-947-2293 Bay Minette Family Center: 251-937-7858 www.catholicsocialservices.org

#### Department of Veterans Affairs

VA Outpatient Clinic, Mobile: 251-219-3900 Mental Health: 251-219-3918 www.va.gov

**The Harbor at Thomas Hospital** 251-279-1119 www.infirmaryhealth.org

Home of Grace for Women Mobile County:(251) 456-7807 www.homeofgraceforwomen.com

Lifeline Counseling Services Mobile County: 251-602-0909 www.lifelinesmobile.org

Mission of Hope Mobile County: 251-649-0830 www.missionofhopeministries.net

North Baldwin Infirmary 251-937-5521 Senior Behavioral Health: 251-580-1770 www.infirmaryhealth.org

**OneWay Restoration** Mobile County: 251-217-8675

Penelope House Mobile County: 251-342-8994 www.penelopehouse.org

**Salvation Army** Mobile County: 251-438-1625 www.salvationarmyalm.org

#### **Serenity Care for Men**

Mobile County: 251-635-1942 www.serenitycareinc.org

#### The Shoulder of the Central Gulf Coast

Baldwin & Mobile Counties: 251-626-2199 www.theshoulder.org

#### Waterfront Rescue Mission

Mobile County: 251-433-1847 www.waterfrontmission.org

#### Wings of Life

Mobile County: 251-333-4800 www.wings-of-life.com

#### **VISION SERVICES**

Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services 334-293-7500 Mobile County: 251-479-8611; 800-671-6842 www.rehab.alabama.gov

#### Alabama Institute for the Deaf and Blind

Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties: 251-432-7777 www.aidb.org

#### **Alabama Lions Club Sight Foundation**

Alabama: 205-325-8519 Statewide: 800-967-4448 (800-96-SIGHT) www.alabamalionssight.org

### Alabama Public Library Services 800-723-8459

www.aplsws2.apls.state.al.us

#### American Academy of Ophthalmology

EyeCare America: 415-561-8500 www.aao.org

#### **Community Services for Vision Rehabilitation** Mobile County: 251-476-4744 Daphne: 251-928-2888 Foley: 251-721-1160 www.csvrlowvision.org

#### **Franklin Primary Health Center – Optometry** Mobile County: 251-432-4117

www.franklinprimary.org

#### Knight's Templar Eye Foundation

214-888-0220 www.ktef.org

### National Federation of the Blind

410-659-9314 (Reads newspapers and current event articles via phone) www.nfb.org

**New Eyes – glasses for those in need** 973-376-4903 www.new-eyes.org

#### ALZHEIMER'S & DEMENTIA SPECIFIC SERVICES

Aging and Disability Resource Center South Alabama Regional Planning Commission Area Agency on Aging Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties 251-706-4680, 800-AGELINE (800-243-5463)

#### Alzheimer's Association 800-272-3900 South Alabama: 850-462-5410 www.alz.org

Alzheimer's Foundation of America 866-232-8484 https://alzfdn.org

#### Project Lifesaver

Persons at risk of wandering wear a wristband transmitter that can be tracked by search and rescue teams. Mobile County: 251-574-4455

Escambia County: 251-809-0647 Baldwin County: 251-972-8545 projectlifesaver.org

Support groups, day care centers, assisted living and nursing facilities with dementia specific programs are marked with asterisks throughout this publication.

PHYSICIANS - GERIATRIC Dr. Ashley Weil, MD Saraland: 251-287-8420

**Dr. John Dixon, MD** Saraland: 251-675-4733

**Dr. Lloyd May, MD** Mobile: 251-666-8232

**Dr. Thomas H. McCulloch, MD** Fairhope: 251-990-8860

Veterans Affairs Out Patient Clinic Mobile: 251-219-3900 Toll Free: 888-201-0110

**PSYCHIATRISTS - GERIATRIC** Alta Pointe Health Systems: East Pointe Hospital

Daphne: 251-378-6500 www.altapointe.org

East Bay Psychiatry Fairhope: 251-928-4750

**Mobile Infirmary** Senior Behavioral Health: 251-435-5153 www.infirmaryhealth.org

North Baldwin Infirmary Senior Behavioral Health: 251-580-1770 www.infirmaryhealth.org

Southern Psychiatry Associates Dr. Bradley Sadler 251-300-7134 www.southernpsychiatry.net ADULT DAY CARE E.A. Roberts Alzheimer's Center Mobile County: 251-435-6950

**Golden Rule Senior Care** Baldwin County: 251-288-4148 goldenruleseniorcare.com

**Grandfriends Via!** Mobile County: 251-470-5228 or 251-470-5232 www.viamobile.org

Nursetel Alabama Senior Center Baldwin County: 251-264-3009www. alabamaseniorcenter.com

**Shepherd's Place – Adult Day Respite** Fairhope: 251-270-0097 www.shepherdsplacerespite.com

**ASSISTED LIVING** Facilities offering care for Dementia patients are marked below with an asterisk (\*).

Arbors Specialty Care at Somerby of West Mobile\* 251-776-1455 www.somerbyseniorliving.com

Ashbury Manor\* Mobile County: 251-340-7528 www.ashburymanormobile.com

Assisted Living at Somerby of West Mobile 251-776-1455 www.somerbyseniorliving.com

#### **Baldwin House Assisted Living** Daphne : 251-621-1717

www.baldwinhousealf.com

**Carillon Oaks** Mobile: 251-287-6300 carillonoaks.com

**Carrington Place** Satsuma: 251-679-9192

Country Place Senior Living of Brewton 251-809-3550 http://www.countryplaceseniorliving.net/

**Country Place Senior Living of Fairhope** 251-929-3627 www.countryplaceseniorliving.net

**Country Place Senior Living of Foley** 251-943-4412 www.countryplaceseniorliving.net **Crowne Place Assisted Living** 251-344-3866 www.crownehealthcare.com

Dauphin Way Assisted Living 251-450-1110 www.dauphinwayalf.com

#### **Gardens of Daphne**

Baldwin County: 251-625-0802 www.cavalierseniorliving.com/communities/ gardens-of-daphne

Gordon Oaks Assisted Living Community Gordon Oaks Memory Care\* Mobile County: 251-661-7600 www.gordon-oaks.com

Inn Assisted Living at Somerby of West Mobile

251-776-1455 www.somerbyseniorliving.com

Knollwood Pointe Knollwood Pointe SCALF/Memory Care\* Mobile County: 251-666-1005 knollwoodpointe.com

Little Sister Of The Poor Sacred Heart Residence Mobile County: 251-476-6335 www.littlesistersofthepoormobile.org

**Live Oak Village** Baldwin County: 251-943-6733 www.liveoakal.com

**Murray House** Mobile County: 251-432-2272 www.murrayhouseliving.com

Oakbridge Terrace Assisted Living at Westminster Village Baldwin County: 251-626-7007 www.westminstervillageal.com

Seabrook Pointe Assisted Living Seabrook Pointe Memory Care\* Baldwin County: 251-625-6400 www.cottageassistedliving.com/seabrookpointe/

**Seagrass Village of Gulf Shores** Baldwin: 251-200-5700 www.seagrassvilagegs.com

Summer House at Heritage Woods Assisted Living Mobile: 251-665-9063 www.summerhouseseniorliving.com

**The Brennity at Daphne** Baldwin County: 251-626-9000 www.brennitydaphne.com

The Brennity at Daphne Memory Care\* Baldwin County: 251-626-9000 www.brennitydaphne.com The Brennity at Fairhope Baldwin County: 251-928-5555 www.brennityfairhope.com

The Haven Assisted Living and Memory Care Facility\* (251) 923-2800 www.communityseniorlife.org

#### The Huntingdon at Homestead Village

Baldwin County: 251-929-0275 www.seniorly.com/assisted-living/alabama/ fairhope/the-huntingdon

The Meadows of Atmore

Escambia County: 251-446-9317 meadowsatmore.com

**The Meadows of Brewton** Escambia County: 251-809-0227 meadowsbrewton.com

**The Summit** Atmore: 251-368-0270 www.thesummitofatmore.com

Vitality Living Regency Assisted Living Mobile: 251-380-0053 www.vitalityseniorliving.com

**CAREGIVER PROGRAMS Alabama Cares caregiver support** Mobile, Baldwin, and Escambia Counties: 251-706-4680, 800-243-5463

AL Lifespan Respite Resource Network/ United Cerebral Palsy of Huntsville 256-859-8300 www.alabamarespite.org

Veterans Affairs National Caregiver Support Line 855-260-3274 www.caregiver.va.gov

Veterans Affairs Out Patient Clinic Mobile: 251-219-3900 Toll Free: 800-698-2411

HOUSING - INDEPENDENT LIVING (MARKET RATE) Homestead Village of Fairhope 251-929-0250 www.hvfairhope.com

**Somerby** 800-949-7614 somerbyseniorliving.com

University Oaks 800-322-0999 https://www.holidayseniorliving.com

Westminster Village 251-616-3514 www.actsretirement.org

#### HOUSING - INDEPENDENT LIVING (SUBSIDIZED) AHEPA 310 Apartments

Bayou La Batre: 251-824-1895 Citronelle: 251-866-3000 Daphne: 251-626-9228 Mobile County: 251-660-1783 Theodore: 251-653-9880 Saraland: 251-679-0770 Semmes: 251-645-2405 Fairhope: 251-928-7352 ahepaseniorliving.org

Anderson-Fisher Apartments (physical disabilities only) Mobile County: 800-466-7722 x. 240

Atmore Housing Authority Escambia County: 251-368-8442

**Atmore Rotary Village** Escambia County: 251-368-5115

Baptist Oaks Apartments Mobile County: 251-432-2312

**Bay Minette Housing Authority** Baldwin County: 251-937-2211

**Bay Minette Rotary Village Apartments** Baldwin County: 251-937-2811 gulfbelt.com/apartment

**Bayou La Batre VOA Elderly Housing** 251-300-2385

**Bayou Plaza Apartments** Mobile County: 251-436-8773

Baytown Senior Village 251-338-0634

**Brewton Housing Authority** Escambia County: 251-867-5247

**Cathedral Place Apartments** Mobile County: 251-434-1590

**Central Plaza Towers** Mobile County: 251-434-2290 www.mobilehousing.org

**Chickasaw Housing Authority** Mobile County: 251-457-6841 www.chickasawha.com

**Crepe Myrtle Village Apartments** Brewton: 251-867-7997

**Dauphin Gate Apartments** Mobile County: 251-473-7224

**Downtown Renaissance** 251-694-9058 www.mobilehousing.org

Driftwood Acres Apartments Mobile County: 251-471-1061 www.driftwoodacresapts.com

**Emerson Gardens** Mobile County: 251-434-2293 www.mobilehousing.org

**Foley Housing Authority** Baldwin County: 251-943-5370 **The Gardens at Wellington Apartments** 251-287-0504 www.gardensatwellingtonapts.com

**Highpoint VOA Elderly Housing** Mobile County: 251-300-2380 www.voase.org/highpoint-apartments

Mobile County Housing Board Mobile County: 251-434-2200 www.mobilehousing.org

**Oleander Park Apartments** Mobile County: 251-639-1355

**Point Escambia Apartments** Escambia County: 251-368-4658

Prichard Housing Authority 251-283-0111

Rendu Terrace Senior Apartments Mobile County: 251-300-2342 www.voase.org/rendu-terrace

**Ridge Manor Apartments** Mobile County: 251-283-0111

Shadow Ridge Retirement Center Citronelle 251-866-2210

**Spring Run Apartments** Baldwin County: 251-928-0981

**The Village at Meadowview** Baldwin County: 251-928-7787

Village Oaks Apartments Bay Minette: Baldwin County: 251-580-3333

**HOSPICES SERVICE IN THE HOME** Alabama Hospice Care of Mobile 251-345-1023

www.lhcgroup.com

**ASERACARE** Mobile and Baldwin Counties: 251-343-0989 Escambia County: 251-800-7473 www.aseracare.com

**Comfort Care Hospice** Mobile County: 251-304-3135 Baldwin County: 251-621-4229 Escambia County: 251-867-6232 www.comfortcarehospice.com

**Community Hospice of Baldwin County** Baldwin County: 251-943-5015 Bay Minette: 251-937-7330

www.communityhospiceal.org

**Covenant Care** Mobile County: 251-478-8671 Baldwin and Escambia Counties: 251-626-5255 www.choosecovenant.org **Encompass Home Health and Hospice** 

Mobile County: 251-666-2399 Main: 251-661-5313 www.encompasshealth.com

Kindred Hospice Mobile: 251-478-9900 Daphne: 621-2500 www.kindredhealthcare.com/locations/ hospice/daphne-al-6634

**Saad Hospice Services** Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties: 251-343-9600 or 800-279-7223 www.saadhospice.com

**Southern Care Hospice** Mobile: 251-666-2113 Baldwin: 251-621-2844 Escambia: 251-368-1101 www.southerncarehospice.com

**Springhill Home Health and Hospice** Mobile: 251-725-1268 Baldwin: 251-626-5895 www.seriousillness.org

**St. Joseph Hospice** 251-675-7555 www.stjosephhospice.com

Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic Mobile: 251-219-3900 Toll Free:888-201-0110

**NURSING HOMES** Facilities offering care for dementia patients are marked below with an asterisk (\*).

Allen Health and Rehabilitation\* Mobile County: 251-433-2642 www.nolandhealth.com/communities/allenhealth-and-rehabilitation

Atmore Nursing Center Escambia County: 251-368-9121 www.crownemanagement.com/atmore

Ashland Place Mobile County: 251-471-5431\* www.ashlandplacehealthandrehab.com

**Azalea Health and Rehab LLC** Mobile County : 251-479-0551 azaleahr.com

**Blue Ridge Healthcare Montrose Bay** Baldwin County: 251-928-2177 www.montrosebayrehab.com

**Crowne Healthcare of Citronelle** Mobile County: 251-866-5509 www.crownehealthcare.com/citronelle

**Crowne Healthcare Of Mobile County\*** Mobile County: 251-473-8684 www.crownehealthcare.com/mobile Crowne Healthcare of Springhill

Mobile County: 251-304-3000 www.crownehealthcare.com/springhill

**Diversicare of Foley\*** Baldwin County: 251-943-2781 www.dvcr.com/locations/foley/

### Eastern Shore Rehabilitation and Health Center

Baldwin County: 251-621-4200 www.nolandhealth.com/communities/ eastern-shore

Fairhope Health & Rehab Center

Baldwin County: 251-928-2153 www.nolandhealth.com/communities/ fairhope-health-and-rehabilitation

**Grand Bay Convalescent Home Inc.** Mobile County: 251-865-6443

**Gulf Coast Health and Rehabilitation** Mobile County: 251-634-8002 www.gulfcoasthealthandrehab.com

Kensington Health and Rehab Mobile County: 251-433-5471 www.kensingtonhrc.com

Knollwood Healthcare Mobile County: 251-661-7608 www.knollwood-hc.com

Little Sisters Of The Poor Sacred Heart Residence Mobile County: 251-476-6335 www.littlesistersofthepoormobile.org

**Lynwood Nursing Home\*** Mobile County: 251-661-5404 www.lynwoodnursing.com

Mobile Nursing & Rehabilitation Center Mobile County: 251-639-1588 mobilerehabcenter.com

North Mobile Health & Rehabilitation Center\* Mobile County: 251-452-0996 www.northmobilerehabcenter.com

**Oakwood-North Baldwin's Center For Living** Baldwin County: 251-937-3501 www.infirmaryhealth.org

**Palm Gardens Health and Rehabilitation** Mobile County: 251-450-2800 www.palmgardenshealthandrehab.com

Robertsdale Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center Baldwin County: 251- 947-1911 www.ballhealth.com

**Springhill Senior Residence** Mobile County: 251-343-0909 www.springhillmedicalcenter.com

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Twin Oaks Mobile County: 251-476-3420 ballhealth.com

**West Gate Village** Escambia County: 251-867-6077 crownehealthcare.com/west-gate

William F. Green State Veterans Home\* Baldwin County: 251-937-9881 www.va.alabama.gov

Willow Brooke Court Skilled Care at Westminster Village Baldwin County: 251-626-7007

PRIVATE DUTY AND IN-HOME CARE

www.westminstervillageal.com

**A.D. Dale Services, Inc.** 251-441-7744

#### ADDUS

Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties: 251-414-5855, 866-414-5855 www.addus.com

#### Amedisys

800-239-9192 Mobile County: 251-380-0492 Citronelle: 251-866-3261 Escambia County: 251-809-1717 Foley: 251-971-1436, 800-763-6382 Bay Minette: 251-580-8236 www.amedisys.com

**ATC Healthcare Services** Mobile County: 251-660-8574, 866-473-0473

#### Atmore Community Home Care

Escambia County: 251-368-6286 LHCGroup.com

Bay Nursing

Mobile and Baldwin Counties: 251-471-3343 www.baynursing.com

#### **Brightstar Care**

Mobile and Baldwin Counties: 251-405-6451 www.brightstarcare.com

#### **Comfort Keepers**

Mobile County: 251-206-0819 Daphne: 251-202-3603 Foley: 251-202-3598 comfortkeepers.com

#### D W McMillian Home Health

Escambia County: 251-867-8054 www.dwmmh.org

Elderly and Disabled Medicaid Waiver

Mobile, Baldwin, and Escambia Counties: 251-706-4680, 800-243-5463

#### Favor Home Healthcare

Mobile: 251-604-3898 www.favorhomehealthcare.com **First Light Home Care** Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties: 251-266-5248, 866-481-5540 www.firstlighthomecare.com

**Golden Rule Senior Care** Mobile and Baldwin Counties: 251-288-4148 Escambia: 251-314-1616 www.goldenruleseniorcare.com

#### Gracepoint Home Care

Mobile and Foley: 251-415-5521 Theodore and Prichard: 251-451-7520 www.gracepointcare.com

**Gulf Coast Dementia Services. Inc.** 251-355-9123 gulfcoastdementiaservices.com

#### Help At Home

Mobile and Baldwin Counties 251-661-9414, 888-290-9414 Escambia County 251-578-7222 www.helpathome.com

#### **Homecare Companions**

Foley: 251-943-6555 Mobile: 251-660-4000 www.homecarecompanions.net

#### Home Instead Senior Care

Mobile and Baldwin Counties: 251-342-6655 www.homeinstead.com

Imperial Home Care 251-654-7453 imperialhomecareservices.com

In Home Caregivers of Alabama

251-265-3893

#### Infirmary Home Care of Mobile

251-450-3300 www.lhcgroup.com

#### **Kindred At Home**

Mobile: 251-316-0917 Daphne: 251-621-0882 Foley: 251-943-3002 www.kindredathome.com

#### Mercy Life Alabama (PACE)

251-287-8427, 855-367-6562 www.trinityhealthpace.org

#### **Rebound Rehab In-Home Physical Therapy**

Mobile and Baldwin counties 251-342-9008 reboundrehab.org

#### Saad's HealthCare Services

Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties: 251-343-9600, 800-279-7223 www.saadhealthcare.com

#### **Senior Companion Program**

Mobile County: 251-574-3232

#### **Southern Cross Home Care of Alabama**

Mobile and Baldwin: 251-776-2786 southerncrosshomecare.com

#### **Springhill Home Health and Hospice**

Mobile: 251-725-1268 Baldwin: 251-626-5895 www.springhillhomecare.org

#### Synergy HomeCare

Mobile and Baldwin Counties 251-621-1900 www.synergyhomecare.com

#### **Touching Hearts Senior Care**

Mobile, Baldwin and Escambia Counties: 251-445-4204 www.touchingheartsseniorcare.com

#### **Thomas Home Health**

Baldwin County: 251-990-9200 lhcgroup.com

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