

## **EDADVANCE Foothills Adult & Continuing Education Free Classes on Zoom!**

Many may have received one of the 80,000 *EdAdvance Adult & Continuing Education* catalogs that are mailed out twice a year to most of the towns and cities in northwestern Connecticut. **WCAAA** will be inaugurating combined **CHOICES & Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP)** on-line classes in both the Spring and Fall of 2021!!!

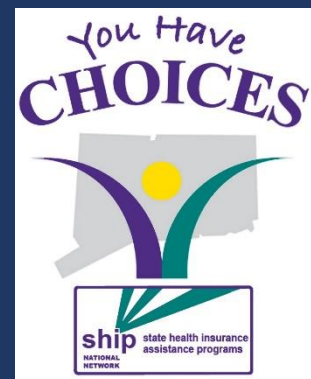
**CHOICES** (Connecticut program for HHealth insurance, Outreach, Information, Counseling, Eligibility, Screening) and **SMP** realized existing adult and continuing education resources were invaluable to achieving additional group and community outreach. The **CHOICES** program at **WCAAA** serves as a one-stop, free, confidential, and unbiased information resource on **Medicare** for seniors and individuals over 18 with disabilities. **CHOICES** offers a counselor training program, funded by federal and state agencies, ensuring strict confidence and security of client personal information. Counselors are rigorously trained, must meet federal standards before certification, and thereafter must complete recertification as the complex **Medicare** program is ever evolving. **Senior Medicare Patrol** works closely with and compliments **CHOICES** by educating clients on how to protect, detect, and report fraud, errors and abuse in **Medicare**. Both programs exist to assist **Medicare** beneficiaries, their families, their caregivers ... and to keep this very important federal health care program strong!

**Medicare & SMP 101** will help attendees understand and navigate basics; know what Parts A, B, C, D offer, how Medicare works with Connecticut programs, and how to protect, detect, and report fraud, errors, and abuse through the **SMP** program. **Medicare & SMP 102** will help attendees navigate unique circumstances such as how **Medicare** works with employee & retirement insurance, Health Savings Accounts (HSAs), etc., and **SMP** will educate on how to read **MSNs (Medicare Summary Notices)** or **EOBs (Explanation of Benefits)**.

This is an exciting opportunity for our communities to learn more about **CHOICES** and **SMP**, and the important work we perform here at **WCAAA**! This will be a team teaching effort on our part, with at least two experienced instructors, one from each program. **Hope to see you all there!**

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**Registration is open on-line at EdAdvance under Adult Education ... then look for the “Finance” category, where our classes are located. Click the link. Scroll down for the dates and times that will be available in the Spring or Fall of 2021.**  
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