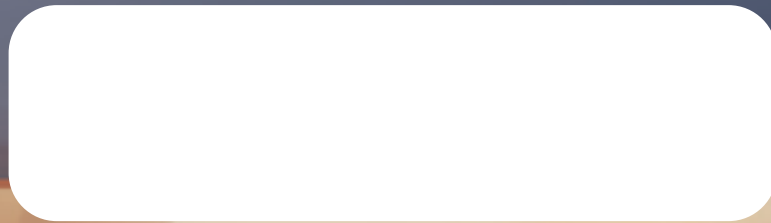


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## Michael McCaul's

### *Update for Seniors on Medicare*

## The Time to Act is Now

Seniors with limited income or resources can still receive partial transitional assistance with a Medicare-approved drug discount card but, you need to act fast to receive the benefit. The chart on the back shows how much you will get depending on when in 2005 you join.

*"Seniors deserve access to prescription drugs and health care. I will continue to work hard for seniors on this and many other issues. It is very important that you understand and take advantage of this new program. We are here to help."*

**-Congressman Michael McCaul**

# Congressman Michael McCaul's KEY MEDICARE DATES

Congressman Michael McCaul discusses health care with seniors in his District.

## Seniors With Medicare: Mark Your Calendars



September	October
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Those enrolled in Medigap receive a notice explaining their rights and choices.</li> <li>■ Prepare a list of your medicines and the details of your prescription drug coverage.</li> <li>■ If you applied for extra help, you will receive a letter from the Social Security Administration on whether you qualify.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Watch the mail for the "Medicare &amp; You" Handbook.</li> <li>■ Those with retiree health benefits should watch the mail for information from their former employer or union.</li> </ul>
November	December
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Starting November 15, you can enroll in the Medicare Drug Plan that's right for you.</b></li> <li>■ <b>Individuals can enroll through: Approved Medicare prescription drug plans, 1-800-MEDICARE or <a href="http://www.medicare.gov">www.medicare.gov</a>.</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Reminder:</b> The voluntary drug discount card is offered until December 31, 2005. Medicare's new prescription drug benefit begins January 1, 2006.</li> <li>■ If you are uninsured and not Medicare eligible, the "Together Rx Access Card Program" may save you money on a variety of drugs. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.TogetherRxAccess.com">www.TogetherRxAccess.com</a>.</li> </ul>

### Beginning January 1, 2006 **MEDICARE'S NEW PREVENTIVE BENEFITS**

- "Welcome to Medicare" Physical Exam
- Cardiovascular Screening
- Diabetes Screening

### Act Now Before It's Too Late! **If You Join Between . . . . . You Will Get**

July 1 - September 30, 2005. . . . . **\$300**

October 1 - December 31, 2005 . . . . . **\$150**

*To find out if you qualify visit the Prescription Drug and Other Assistance Programs section of [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov).*

Congressman Michael McCaul discusses health care with a constituent.

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