# **TOP THREE**

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#### Area Agency on Aging District 7

Welcome to our February 2024 news e-blast - sharing our "Top Three" focus items for this month.

As always, reach out to us with any questions and follow us on our social media platforms!



### **Ohio AAAs Celebrate 50th Anniversary**

All of the Ohio Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) are continuing to celebrate 50 years since AAAs were established as a part of the Older Americans Act. The AAAs were added to the Act in 1973 to be the on-the-ground organizations charged with helping older adults live with independence and dignity in their homes and communities. Ohio AAAs are continuing this celebration into 2024, and we join together to mark this important milestone for the aging network in Ohio. Our Agency (District 7) was established in 1972 as a model project in Ohio, funded by the US Administration on Aging, and we recently celebrated our own Golden Anniversary in 2022. We have a long history of providing needed services to our communities and are proud of the role we have in our district to assist individuals to maintain independence and personal choice by providing resource options and services.



### **Medicare Savings in 2023 Report**

Each year, our Agency conducts outreach to our communities in order to better identify those who might be eligible for the "Extra Help" and Medicare Savings Programs. Last year in 2023, individuals were determined eligible after reaching out to us or enrolling in one of our Medicaid-waiver programs. In addition, individuals who called to have their Medicare drug comparisons checked during the "Open Enrollment" period were also able to save money simply by changing their Medicare Part D provider. In all, through the special programs or drug plan comparisons, our Agency was able to save all the individuals we worked with over the year a combined total of \$4,360,352 in 2023!! These savings have made a huge impact on peoples' lives. Contact us to find out if we can help you save!



#### **Providers Needed!**

Our Agency is recruiting for providers to work with our PASSPORT Medicaid Waiver Program. Specifically, those that offer the following services: personal care, home modification, home maintenance and chore, social work counseling, nutrition consultations, and adult day service (Lawrence County). If you have questions, please contact us and ask for the "Provider Relations Department" or simply scan the QR Code to learn more.

