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Medicare Workshops to be Offered in Burley

Two sessions to be held on the same day and at the same location

BOISE ID – A pair of Medicare Workshops for individuals turning 65 and those approaching Medicare eligibility will be held Monday, March 18, at the Burley Public Library, 1300 Miller Ave., Burley. The first of the two free sessions will run from 1 to 3 p.m., followed by an evening workshop from 5 to 7 p.m. Caregivers, those interested in learning how Medicare works, and individuals not eligible for Medicare are encouraged to attend and learn about other health plan options from a local enrollment counselor.

The Medicare workshops will be led by Senior Health Insurance Benefits Advisors (SHIBA), a unit of the Idaho Department of Insurance. SHIBA presenters will introduce the various parts of Medicare and explain some of the vocabulary associated with the program. Topics to be covered include:

- Timeframes for enrolling in Medicare
- Enrollment periods for Medigap, Medicare Advantage and Prescription Drug Plans
- How the different parts of Medicare work together and when they don't

To register for either workshop, please contact the SHIBA Helpline at 1-800-247-4422. Walk-ins are also welcome.

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