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Volunteers Invited to Join Health Insurance Counseling Program

Dr. E. Douglas Beach, Secretary of the Florida Department of Elder Affairs, invites volunteers to join the award-winning **SHINE (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders) Program**, which helps elders make informed decisions about Medicare and health insurance.

SHINE volunteers provide individual counseling and assistance to elders and their caregivers about Medicare, Medicaid, Medicare plan choices, long-term care, and other health insurance issues. Volunteers also make educational presentations to community groups and participate in local health fairs, senior fairs, and outreach events.

For more information about SHINE, or to become a volunteer in Broward County, please call our Elder Helpline at (954) 745-9779.

The Aging & Disability Resource Center is the nonprofit umbrella organization charged with the responsibilities of planning, coordinating, monitoring, and funding programs designed to meet the needs of over 349,399 year-round Broward senior residents. As the prime advocate for local Older Americans, the ADRC contracts with administering organizations for the following programs: senior centers; senior day care; site meals; home-delivered meals; Alzheimer's in-home and facility respite; minor in-home repair; legal; transportation; homemaker; personal care; respite; emergency response; and case management.