

Dutchess County Office for the Aging

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Office for the Aging Services

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Note: many in-person OFA services and activities are currently suspended, or operating under altered schedules, due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Community Service Workers

- Assist with applying for benefit programs including Medicaid, SNAP (food stamps), Elderly Pharmaceutical Insurance Coverage (EPIC), Medicare Savings Program, housing applications, and more
- Advocate and explain benefits

Continuing Care at OFA

- Provides access to anyone, regardless of age and payment source, to long term care services.
- Case Managers and Public Health Nurses can assess the clients in their home, the nursing home or in the hospital, establish a realistic plan of care, and provide advice on funding sources. They may also make suggestions regarding alternatives like adult day care, adult homes, assisted living, foster care, home health care, respite services, and placement at skilled nursing facilities (nursing homes).
- Provides in-depth Alzheimer's Care Consultations to caregivers. This is a personalized service for those who are facing many decisions and challenges associated with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders.

Contact Us

(845) 486-2555

(866) 486-2555 (outside 845 area code)

email: ofa@dutchessny.gov

Health and Wellness

- Brain Games
- Diverse senior exercise programs
- 12 countywide summer picnics
- A Matter of Balance classes
- Senior Seminars
- Senior Prom
- Tai Chi
- Celebration of Aging

Health Insurance Information and Counseling (HIICAP)

- Counsels people regarding Medicare information
- Assist with applying for EPIC
- Monthly workshops on Medicare

Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)

- Helps people 60 and over with applications for HEAP and related energy programs

Informative presentations

- Topics include successful aging, scam prevention, senior housing, nutrition, and Medicare/Medicaid

Legal services

- For those over 60, with emphasis on simple legal issues such as wills, powers of attorney and health care proxies

Nutrition

- Home delivered meals for qualifying seniors
- 8 Senior Friendship Center sites
- Counseling and group presentations

NY Connects

- Your link to long term services and supports, providing information, assistance and referrals for anyone who needs it, regardless of age. Call (845) 486-2555 for more information. Outside the 845 area code, call (866) 486-2555.

Transportation Resources

- Transportation to non-emergency medical appointments may be available through Office for the Aging partner organizations

Volunteering Opportunities

- Home Delivered Meals delivery
- Health Insurance counseling (HIICAP)
- Assist at Senior Friendship Centers
- Assist at Senior Picnics and Events
- Exercise Classes and Brain Games
- A Matter of Balance class leaders
- Office Help

COVID-19 Pandemic Information

Many Office for the Aging services can be accessed remotely, via phone or email, from the safety of your home. Please contact us before visiting OFA in person.

For additional COVID-19 information, contact Dutchess Responds:

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