

# Guard your card

Follow these tips to prevent Medicare ID fraud:

- Keep your Medicare and Social Security cards secure.
- Don't share your numbers with anyone but your health care team.
- If someone calls and asks for your Medicare information, hang up. Medicare will only call you if you've called and left a message or if a representative said that someone will call you back.
- Check your statements carefully and log into [MyMedicare.gov](https://www.mymedicare.gov) to spot possible fraud and billing mistakes.
- Report suspicious activities by calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227).

💡 Learn about the new Medicare card on the other side.



# New Medicare cards starting April 2018

Instead of your Social Security number, your new card will have a unique Medicare Number. The new card won't change your coverage or benefits.

- Make sure your mailing address is up-to-date. Log in to my Social Security account at [ssa.gov/myaccount](http://ssa.gov/myaccount) or call 1-800-772-1213. TTY users can call 1-800-325-0778.
- Once you get your new Medicare card, destroy your old Medicare card right away.
- Only give your new Medicare Number to doctors, pharmacists, other health care providers, your insurers, or people you trust to work with Medicare on your behalf.

Mailing everyone a new card will take time. Your card might arrive at a different time than your friend's or neighbor's.

If you have any questions or if you don't get your new Medicare card by April 2019, call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users can call 1-877-486-2048.

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