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The Sunshine Continues for Seniors

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When 64-year-old Mrs. Smith called the Elder Helpline in early May, she was hopeful of getting some information about obtaining health insurance coverage when her COBRA ran out. With pre-existing conditions, the probability of locating insurance was low. Thankfully, SHINE/Sunshine for Seniors volunteer Marilyn Parker was there to suggest other options. Through an Internet search, Marilyn found Prescription Assistance Programs for seven out of 10 of Mrs. Smith's medications. Marilyn was able to explain the application process, identify the parts of the applications the doctor needed to fill in, and send out the applications. The potential savings of \$1,690.00 per month will allow Mrs. Smith to supplement her health care costs until she becomes eligible for Medicare in 2007. Imagine the relief for Mrs. Smith, who besides having her own major health issues, takes care of her husband who has terminal brain disease.