

Subject: Keep Your SC Access Listing!

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SC Access Adopts Senior Shield to Protect South Carolina Seniors

For a number of years, the Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging has listed your business, agency or program on SC Access, its Web-based directory of senior and disability resources.

Four factors now combine to **change current policy**:

- The senior population continues its demographic path towards doubling;
- More and more services to seniors are taking place in their homes;
- Incidences of fraud, abuse and financial exploitation cannot be ignored;
- The advent of new technology now allows personal and professional standards of care to be verified and displayed in advance to consumers.

While the vast majority of providers are legitimate and dedicated, listing service providers can no longer be based on



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simply trusting appropriate professional behavior and competence. We must utilize new technology to verify that entities held out to the public on SC Access are legitimate, licensed, bonded and insured, crime free, and have no pattern of regulatory or consumer complaints. **Therefore, effective July 1, 2009, businesses and service providers will be required to be background checked and verified by Senior Shield if they are to be listed on SC Access.**

SC Access will be utilizing Senior Shield, powered by SeniorChecked, to manage the application, verification and technology. As a currently listed organization, you are encouraged to take the next steps to maintain your listing. Businesses that complete this process will be **listed in the Senior Shield directory**, as well as on SC Access. Businesses that have already earned their Senior Shield will automatically maintain their SC Access listing with no further response.

To get started, click on the link to the right that best describes your organization.

By working together, we can provide a thoroughly evaluated directory for seniors in South Carolina . Thank you for your continued support of SC Access.

Sincerely,

Tony Kester, Interim Director, South Carolina Office on Aging

Questions?

Call **1-877-723-3771** or e-mail customersupport@scseniorshield.com

& next steps

Limited-time discounts offered

\$135 (\$40 off) for applications submitted by May 15th

(Use Promo Code: EMGDJR)

\$150 (\$25 off) for applications submitted between May 16th and June 30th

\$175 (regular fee) for applications submitted after July 1st



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Free listing offered - must complete application