**Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan**

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| **Information and Assistance****I & A** | **Options Counseling**  | **MMAP****Medicare Medicaid Assistance Program** |
| **Eligibility:** Anyone seeking information and/or assistance regarding services for older people and people with disabilities.  | **Eligibility:** Adults used to assist in planning how to meet the participant’s long term care needs.  | **Eligibility:** Older adults and people with disabilities. |
| **Financial Eligibility:** No income or asset qualifications.  | **Financial Eligibility:** No income or asset qualifications. No Cost for this service | **Financial Eligibility:** No income or asset qualifications. MMAP is funded by a grant from the Michigan Aging and Adult Services Agency through funding received from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, The Medicare agency, and a grant from the Administration of Aging.  |
| **Service Provision:**  \* Provides linkage and referrals to  Community Services such as: 1. Emergency Financial  Assistance 2. Utility Assistance Programs 3. Medical/Dental Care 4. Legal 5. Durable Medical Equipment 6. In Home Care Providers  7. Numerous needs from care  for pets to tax assistance | **Service Provisions:** Options Counseling provides an opportunity to meet with a knowledgeable specialist who can assist the participant to develop goals on how to meet long term care needs.  \* Financial \* Futures Planning \* In Home Care \* Legal Issues \* Grief \* End of Life \* Life Changing Event  | **Service Provisions:** Can help participants to:  \* Understand Medicare and Medicaid \* Compare or enroll in Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage \* Review Medicare supplemental insurance needs \* Understand Medicare health  plans  \* Apply for a Medicare Savings program \* Explore long term care insurance options \* Identify and report Medicare fraud/abuse, or scams |
|  | **Priority Group:** Persons who are in need of assistants in planning for their long term care needs. |  |