## ideas & opinions

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SO, ANY

BIG PLANS

FOR THIS

SUMMER?

AFTER THE HECTIC SCHOOL YEAR, I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO FINALLY HAVING SOME DOWNTIME TO JUST DO PIANO, LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL, SUMMER SCHOOL, LEADERSHIP CAMP, SWIM LESSONS, STANDARDIZED TEST TUTORING, GYMNASTICS AND FAMILY THERAPY.

SUNDAY, LOCAL COMMENTARY | MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY, POLITICAL OPINION | WEDNESDAY, HEALTH & WELLNESS ADVICE | SATURDAY, POSITIVE LIVING

A VIEW FROM THE VILLAGES HEALTH

For those 65 and older, it is important to know that from now through Oct. 14, Medicare Special **Enrollment Period is in** effect.



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COMMENTARY

This means that those wishing to change their insurance coverage will have to wait until Annual Enrollment Period (Oct. 15 through Dec. 7) except under certain circumstances.

Those certain circumstances include having moved to The Villages or surrounding communities within the past 60 days, being within 60 days of turning 65 or having certain medical conditions. If you fall into one of these categories, now is the right time to explore your health care options under the Special Enrollment Period.

Everyone moving to or

currently living in The Villages and surrounding communities, however, are encouraged to learn more about their health care services and insurance plan options. How can you do this? Conveniently located adjacent to each of The Villages Health primary care centers is a Health Insurance Resource Center (HIRC).

At these HIRCs, you will find friendly, knowledgeable licensed benefits consultants who are available to answer all your questions about Medicare. They can evaluate your needs and discuss various plan options and benefits, to assist you in selecting the best plan for your specific requirements.

The HIRCs are open Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are encouraged. If you are Medicare eligible, The Villages Health accepts select Medicare Advantage plans through United Healthcare, Florida Blue, and Humana for your primary care services. Our specialty care division accepts additional insurances, including traditional Medicare.

Additionally, The Villages

Health has a team of New Patient Specialists (NPSs) on hand to answer all your questions about the many excellent health care services offered by The Villages Health. They will give you a tour of a care center, introduce you to the licensed benefits consultants, and schedule your first appointment if you select one of the accepted plans.

With a consistent Net Promoter Score in the 90s, The Villages Health boasts a world-class ranking in patient satisfaction. We differ from other organizations by offering community-based, patient-centered health care that is convenient and easily accessible.

What else sets The Villages Health apart from other health care organizations? We offer:

- » 60-minute new patient appointments;
- » Team-based health care;
- » Little to no wait times;
- » Saturday EZ-Care Clinic;
- » 13 in-house specialties;
- » Same-day sick

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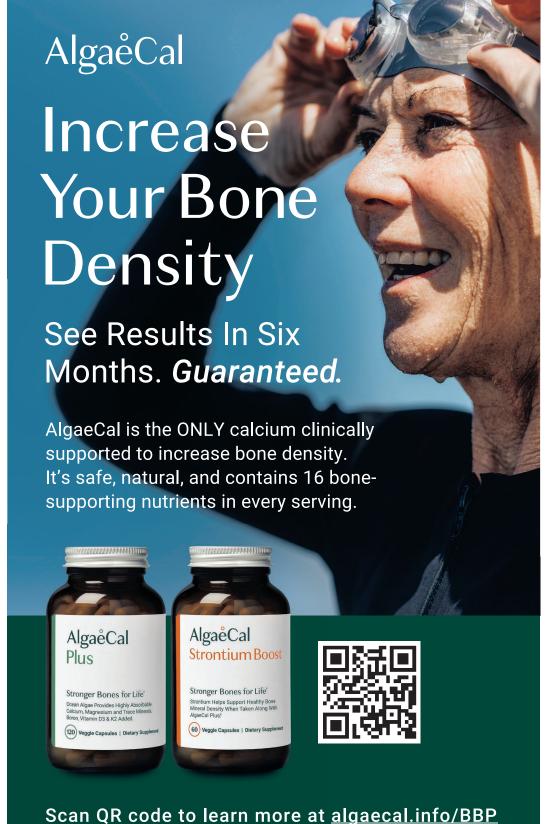
appointments;

- » Hospitalist program;
- » On-site X-rays;
- » Free, convenient Wellness Classes;
- » Nurse Helpline; and
- » Coordinated primary and specialty care services.

**F**or those of you who are currently patients with us, we want to remind you that you may receive an automated survey call from your insurance company that will show up on your caller ID as an 800 number. You will be asked questions in a short survey that helps us to achieve excellence in the quality of care you receive. Please help us help you and other valued patients by taking the call.

For more information about The Villages Health, to take a tour, or to register for a free Medicare Simplified Class, visit thevillageshealth.com or call us at (844) TVH-WELL, or 844-884-9355.

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