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NAPCA Helpline Saves Seniors Almost \$300,000 on Prescription Drugs

[Seattle, WA] - The National Asian Pacific Center on Aging (NAPCA) issued a report today highlighting the cost savings realized by callers through assistance from NAPCA Helpline staff.

The study found that seniors who received assistance from the NAPCA Helpline during the Open Enrollment Period were projected to save an average of \$1,205 in 2013 and \$1,921 in 2014. This amounts to almost \$300,000 in total savings per year.

The report was based on prescription drug plan cost data collected by the NAPCA Helpline from callers during the 2012 and 2013 Medicare Part D Open Enrollment Periods. This study is an update from a previous report NAPCA published in December 2012.

"We have long known that the Helpline is a valuable resource for our limited English speaking seniors," said Christine Takada, NAPCA President and CEO. "This report helps quantify the impact the Helpline's assistance has on our most vulnerable seniors."

The report is available for download from the NAPCA website at <http://bit.ly/1ngcT66>.

NAPCA is the leading advocacy and service organization committed to the dignity, well-being, and quality of life of Asian American and Pacific Islander elders as they age.

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