

Discover the benefits you get with Aetna Medicare Advantage

Join fellow MTA New York City Transit retirees at an Aetna® informational session. We're here to help you feel confident in your decisions about your health coverage.

Here are some reasons to attend:

- 1 **Learn more** about MTA New York City Transit Aetna Medicare Advantage plan medical coverage.
- 2 **Discover** the additional wellness programs and benefits included with your Aetna Medicare Advantage plan.
- 3 **Have your questions answered** by an Aetna plan specialist.



Join us for a teleconference call

On the day of your teleconference call, dial **1-800-348-8581 (TTY: 711)**.

Date	Time
Tuesday, November 12	11 AM ET
Friday, November 15	2 PM ET





JOIN TWU LOCAL 100 AS WE HONOR
OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN



TWU Local 100

VETERANS APPRECIATION EVENTS:

(Register below by scanning the QR code
with your phone camera)

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phone)



Veterans Day Parade
Monday 12:30PM - 3:30PM
Fifth Ave. between 25th and 45th

Group Name: Transport Workers Union, Local 100 - Veterans Committee

Assembly location: 24th bw 6th & 5th Avenue

Enter Parade area via: 6th Ave @ 24th St

Assembly location notes:

Arrival Time - Marchers: 1:45 - 2:00pm

Arrival Time - Vehicles (Motorcycles): 1:45 - 2:00pm

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Veterans Appreciation Celebration
Friday 5PM-9PM
at TWU Local 100 Union Hall
195 Montague St. 3rd Floor

Dinner will be served. Scan QR code
to register. For more information,
Call: 212-873-6000 x2157 or x2026





You Are Invited
to the

TWU Local 100
Retirees Association

Holiday Party

Friday Dec. 6, 2024

EASTWOOD MANOR

3371 Eastchester Rd, Bx 10469

1:00pm - 6:00pm

Tickets: \$100 for Members

\$110 for non-Members

(Deadline: Nov. 22, 2024)

Dinner, Open Bar, Music, Raffles

Please pay by check or money order payable to:

TWU Local 100 Retirees Association

195 Montague St. (3rd FL) Brooklyn, NY 11201

For more information
call 212-873-6000 x2077





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*An Important Message from the
TWU Local 100 Retirees Association*

When It Comes to Our Health Care, We Need to Know the Difference

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Medicare eligible TWU retirees have been covered since Jan. 1, 2024 by the new top tier health care package negotiated by Local 100 leadership.

“There was some confusion at the beginning,” says **Retirees Association Director James Whalen**. “But, we have made a big effort to make sure our retirees understand the benefits of their great coverage under Aetna Options 1 and 2. Today, we only get a few calls a day from members about Medicare coverages. That’s a big improvement.”

Whalen and **Retirees Association manager Barry Roberts**, blame the “confusion” on two things:

1. City union retirees, most notably from the Teachers Union, filed a lawsuit against their union and the City of New York over changes to “traditional Medicare” in their contracts, and:
2. A small group of TWU retirees, calling themselves TWU100R, claimed our benefits had been reduced, and tried to draw a comparison of our benefits to the City Unions.

Both Whalen and Roberts believe that the “intentional misinformation” spread by the TWU100R has caused a lot of damage. Why? “Because this group used the TWU’s good name as part of its group’s branding, which created an impression, most likely intentional, that they were part of Local 100 or the Retirees Association. **They are not.**” “They also spread more lies that our benefits have been diminished. They haven’t” said Whalen and Roberts, “they remain outstanding. Our benefits are superior to the City unions.”

**CALL THE TWU RA MEDICAL
CONCIERGE DESK WITH ANY
QUESTIONS ON BENEFITS!**



TWU Local 100 Retirees Association’s **Medical Concierge Desk**, will handle all your questions and concerns on any and all Medicare and medical issues.

We have been able to assist many retirees and doctor’s offices work through the process. It has been working very well. To date, we are getting fewer calls relating to any outstanding issues. Contact the Retirees Association at **212-873-6000, Ext. 2077 or 2210** at any time with any of your medical issues.

Another fabrication coming from the TWU100R group concerns doctors or hospitals not accepting Medicare or Medicare Advantage, said Whalen. “Some doctors or hospitals go in and out-of-network quite often when insurance contracts come up for renewals or providers open up negotiations. This is nothing new.”

Whalen pointed to the controversy in late 2023 regarding New York Presbyterian Hospital’s threat to withdraw from Aetna. “This was successfully negotiated between the hospital and Aetna, and no one lost any services. This is an unfortunate part of the American health care system.”

Even if one’s doctor leaves the Aetna network, members can still be seen out-of-network at zero (\$0) cost to the retiree as if that provider was in network. The provider must be a Medicare A and B provider and bill the plan.