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Consumer Tool Chest aids seniors

DOVER — State Treasurer Jack Markell introduced his office's new Consumer Tool Chest of Financial Security Tools at the AARP Issues & Answers series recently at three events held across Delaware. The Consumer Tool Chest is a financial-education initiative for Delaware's growing senior population.

"We created this tool chest to help to address some questions that many retirees have," Mr. Markell said.

The Tool Chest covers more than just the basic financial issues that are expected when thinking about retirement planning. The Costly Fallout from Falling is covered and a Fall-Proof Safety Checklist is provided to assist seniors in making their homes a safer place.

The Consumer Tool Chest also covers the topics of Reverse Mortgages, How To Keep Track of Your Pension(s), Tips on Creating a Retirement Strategy That Is Right For You, Tips on Making Withdrawals from Your Retirement Account, Tips for Making 401K Withdrawals, How To Spot Billing Mistakes and a comprehensive list of Financial Health Resources available to assist seniors.

For more information about the Consumer Tool Chest of Financial Security Tools or to download a copy, visit the state treasurer's Web site at www.state.de.us/treasure.