



Health Talk



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United
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Community Plan

We value your ideas

You can help develop policies that best serve our members by joining our Quarterly Quality Member Access Committee (QMAC) meetings. To get involved, call Member Services, **1-866-293-1796**, TTY **711**, for more information.

Take charge

Prepare to see your provider

Preparing for your annual wellness visit can help you get the most out of it. Here are 3 things you can do to take charge of your health.

- 1. Think about what you want to get out of the visit before you go.** Focus on the top 3 things you need help with.
- 2. Tell your provider about any drugs or vitamins you take on a regular basis.** Bring a written list. Or bring the medicine itself.
- 3. Tell your provider about other providers you see.** Include behavioral health providers. Mention treatments they have prescribed. Bring copies of test results.

You're not alone

Did you know that more than 17 million American adults have depression? And women are about twice as likely to have depression as men. To learn more about the different treatment options for depression, visit [LiveandWorkWell.com](https://www.liveandworkwell.com).

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Take a walk

Going outside for a walk each day is an easy way to improve your overall health. Exercise helps reduce your risk for chronic conditions like heart disease and diabetes. Getting fresh air and being out in nature have been shown to improve mental health, too.



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The right care

Utilization management (UM) helps make sure you receive the right care and services when you need them.

Our UM staff reviews the services that your provider asks for. They compare the care and services your provider requests against clinical guidelines. They also compare what is being asked for against the benefits you have.

When the care is not covered under your benefits or does not meet the guidelines, it may be denied. We do not pay or reward our providers or staff for denying service or approving less care. If care is denied, you and your provider have a right to appeal. The denial letter will tell you how.



Questions? Call Member Services toll-free at the phone number on the back of your member ID card. TDD/TTY services and language assistance are available if you need them.

We care

Voluntary programs to help manage your health

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan provides programs and services to help keep you well. We also have services to help better manage illnesses and other care needs. These are part of our programs to help manage your health. They may include:

- Health education and reminders
- Maternity support and education
- Support for substance use disorders
- Programs to help you with complex health needs (care managers work with your provider and other outside agencies)

These programs are voluntary. They are offered as covered benefits. You can choose to stop any program at any time.



Take care. Visit myuhc.com/CommunityPlan to find more information about network providers and the benefits, programs and services offered to you. If you want to make a referral to our case management program, call Member Services toll-free at the phone number on the back of your member ID card.



Know your drug benefits

Visit myuhc.com/CommunityPlan to learn about your prescription drug benefits. There is information about:

- **What drugs are covered.** There is a list of covered drugs. You may need to use a generic drug in place of a brand-name drug.
- **Where to get your prescriptions filled.** You can find a pharmacy near you that accepts your plan. You may also be able to get certain drugs by mail.
- **Rules that may apply.** Some drugs may only be covered in certain cases. For example, you might need to try a different drug first. (This is called step therapy.) Or you might need approval from UnitedHealthcare to use a drug. (This is called prior authorization.) There may also be limits to the amount you can get of certain drugs.
- **Any costs to you.** You do not have copayments for prescriptions.



Look it up. Find information on your drug benefits at myuhc.com/CommunityPlan. Or call Member Services toll-free at the phone number on the back of your member ID card.

Follow-up care

Know what to do after going home from the hospital

It is important to receive follow-up instructions before you go home from the hospital or emergency room (ER). Make sure you understand what is being asked of you. Ask questions if you do not. You can have someone you trust listen to the instructions, so they also understand what you are supposed to do when you go home.

Make an appointment with your primary care provider as soon as you get home from the hospital. Bring your follow-up instructions and medications with you and share them with your provider. Proper follow-up may prevent another visit to the hospital or ER.



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Your partner in health

Your primary care provider provides or coordinates your health care. You should see your provider every year for well visits, immunizations and important screenings.

You want to feel comfortable talking with your primary care provider. You need a provider with an office location and hours that work for you. You may want a provider who speaks your language or understands your culture. You might prefer a male or female provider. If your provider isn't right for you, you can switch at any time.

Teens have different health care needs than children. It may be time for your teen to switch to a provider who treats adults. Your daughter may need a woman's health provider such as an OB/GYN.

You can learn more about plan providers online or by phone. Information available includes:

- Address and phone number
- Qualifications
- Specialty
- Board certification
- Languages they speak
- Medical school or residency (information available by phone only)



Choose your provider. To find a new provider, visit myuhc.com/CommunityPlan. Or, call Member Services toll-free at the phone number on the back of your member ID card.

By the book

Have you read your Member Handbook? It is a great source of information. It tells you how to use your plan. It explains:

- Your member rights and responsibilities
- The benefits and services you have
- The benefits and services you don't have (exclusions)
- What costs you may have for health care
- How to find out about network providers
- How your prescription drug benefits work
- What to do if you need care when you are out of town
- When and how you can get care from an out-of-network provider
- Where, when and how to get primary, after-hours, behavioral health, specialty, hospital and emergency care
- Our privacy policy
- What to do if you get a bill
- How to voice a complaint or appeal a coverage decision
- How to ask for an interpreter or get other help with language or translation
- How the plan decides if new treatments or technologies are covered
- How to report fraud and abuse



Get it all. You can read the Member Handbook online at myuhc.com/CommunityPlan. To request a print copy, call Member Services toll-free at the phone number on the back of your member ID card.



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Quitting smoking is hard

Most people who smoke cigarettes say they want to quit. In fact, more than half of adult smokers say they tried to quit in the past year. But only 7.5% were able to quit successfully.

Don't be discouraged if you weren't able to quit smoking the first time you tried. Try talking to your health care provider. Getting advice improves your chances of quitting smoking for good. Even a brief 3-minute conversation can make a difference.



You can do it. Don't give up on quitting smoking.

Make an appointment to talk to your provider today.

Resource corner

Member Services: Find a provider, ask benefit questions or get help scheduling an appointment, in any language (toll-free).
1-866-293-1796, TTY 711

Our website: Find a provider, view your benefits or see your ID card, wherever you are.
myuhc.com/CommunityPlan

NurseLine: Get health advice from a nurse 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (toll-free).
1-800-985-3856, TTY 711

Quit Now Kentucky: Get help quitting smoking at no cost to you (toll-free).
**1-800-QUIT-NOW
(1-800-784-8669), TTY 711
quitnowkentucky.org**

Healthy First Steps®: Get support throughout your pregnancy. Get rewards for timely prenatal and well-baby care (toll-free).
**1-800-599-5985, TTY 711
UHCHealthyFirstSteps.com**

Live and Work Well: Find mental health and substance use resources.
LiveandWorkWell.com



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Protect against COVID-19

An important message from UnitedHealthcare

Your health and well-being are our No. 1 priority. That's why we want to make sure you stay informed about the coronavirus (COVID-19). We're working with and following the latest information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). We're also in touch with state and local public health departments.

How can I protect myself from COVID-19?

The best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus. As with any potential illness, like the flu, it is important to follow good prevention practices, including:

- Hand-washing with soap and water for 20 seconds or use of alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available
- Do not touch your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands
- Try to stay away from people who might be sick
- Do not share cups or eating utensils with people who are sick
- Clean and disinfect surfaces that are touched often
- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze, and then throw the tissue in the trash



Stay informed. For the most up-to-date information and resources about COVID-19 prevention, coverage, care and support, please visit **UHCCommunityPlan.com/covid-19**.

You can get this material and other plan information in large print for free. To get materials in large print, call Member Services at **1-866-293-1796**, TTY **711**.

If English is not your first language, we can help. Call Member Services at **1-866-293-1796**, TTY **711**. You can ask us for the information in this material in your language. We have access to interpreter services and can help answer your questions in your language.

Spanish: Si el inglés no es su lengua materna, podemos ayudarle. Llame a Servicios para Miembros al **1-866-293-1796**, TTY **711**. Puede solicitarnos la información de este material en su idioma. Tenemos acceso a servicios de intérpretes y podemos ayudar a responder sus preguntas en su idioma.

Chinese: 如果英文不是您的母語，我們可以提供協助。請致電 **1-866-293-1796**、**聽障專線 711** 與會員服務部聯絡。您可以要求我們以您的母語提供本資料中的資訊。我們有提供口譯員服務且我們可以使用您的母語協助您解答疑問。

Vietnamese: Nếu tiếng Anh không phải là ngôn ngữ chính của quý vị, chúng tôi có thể trợ giúp. Xin gọi cho Dịch vụ Hội viên theo số **1-866-293-1796**, TTY **711**. Quý vị có thể yêu cầu chúng tôi cung cấp thông tin trong tài liệu này bằng ngôn ngữ của quý vị. Chúng tôi có dịch vụ thông dịch và có thể giúp giải đáp các thắc mắc bằng ngôn ngữ của quý vị.

Korean: 영어가 모국어가 아닌 경우 저희가 도와드릴 수 있습니다. 가입자 서비스부에 **1-866-293-1796**, TTY **711**번으로 전화하십시오. 본 자료에 있는 정보를 귀하의 언어로 요청하실 수 있습니다. 저희는 통역 서비스를 이용할 수 있으며 귀하의 언어로 질문에 답변하는데 도움을 드릴 수 있습니다.

French: Si l'anglais n'est pas votre langue maternelle, nous pouvons vous aider. Appelez le Service membres au **1-866-293-1796**, ATS **711**. Vous pouvez nous demander de vous fournir, dans votre langue, les informations contenues dans ce document. Nous avons accès à des services d'interprétariat et pouvons vous aider à obtenir des réponses à vos questions dans votre langue.

Arabic:

إذا لم تكن اللغة الانجليزية هي لغتك الأولى، فيمكننا تقديم المساعدة. اتصل بقسم خدمات الأعضاء على الرقم **1-866-293-1796**، أو عبر الهاتف النصي على الرقم **711**. يمكنك أن تطلب منا المعلومات الواردة في هذه المادة بلغتك. يمكننا الحصول على خدمات الترجمة الفورية والمساعدة في الإجابة عن أسئلتك بلغتك.

Russian: Если английский язык не является Вашим родным языком, мы можем помочь Вам. Обращайтесь в отдел обслуживания участников по телефону **1-866-293-1796, TTY 711**. Вы можете попросить нас предоставить Вам информацию, излагаемую в данном материале, на Вашем родном языке. У нас есть возможность воспользоваться услугами переводчика, и мы поможем Вам получить ответы на вопросы на Вашем родном языке.

Tagalog: Kung hindi English ang una mong wika, makakatulong kami. Tawagan ang Member Services sa **1-866-293-1796, TTY 711**. Maaari mong hilingin ang impormasyong nasa materyal na ito sa iyong wika. Makakakuha kami ng mga serbisyo ng interpreter at makakatulong kaming sagutin ang iyong mga tanong gamit ang iyong wika.

German: Wenn Englisch nicht deine Muttersprache ist, können wir helfen. Rufe den Mitgliederservice unter: **1-866-293-1796, TTY 711** an. Du kannst uns nach den Informationen in diesem Material in deiner Sprache fragen. Wir haben Zugang zu Dolmetscherdiensten und können dir helfen, deine Fragen in deiner Sprache zu beantworten.

Japanese: 英語がわからなくてもお手伝いいたします。次のメンバーサービスにお電話ください: **1-866-293-1796, TTY 711**。本資料の内容についてご質問がございましたら、ご自身の言語でお尋ねください。私たちの方で通訳サービスを利用し、ご質問いただいた言語でお答えします。

Somali: Haddii Ingiriisigu uusan ahayn luqaddaada koowaad, waan ku caawin karnaa. Ka wac Adeegyada Xubnaha telefoonka **1-866-293-1796, TTY 711**. Waad na weydiin kartaa macluumaadka ku jira agabkan oo ku qoran luqaddaada. Waxaan heli karnaa adeeyo turjubaan ee naga caawin kara inaan kaaga jawaabno su'aalahaaga luqaddaada.

Swahili: Ikiwa Kiingereza sio lugha yako ya kwanza, tunaweza kukusaidia. Pigia simu Huduma za Mema kwa **1-866-293-1796, TTY 711**. Unaweza kutuuliza kuhusu maelezo yaliyo kwenye hati hii kwa lugha yako. Tunaweza kupata huduma za mkalimani na tunaweza kujibu maswali yako kwa lugha yako.

Pennsylvania Dutch: Wann du net comfortable bischt English yuuse, kenne mer dich helfe. Ruf Member Services uff an die **1-866-293-1796, TTY 711**. Du kannscht uns frooge fer die Information as do hin is in Deitsch griege. Mir hen Leit as Deitsch interprete kenne un dich helfe kenne fer dei Questions gaensert griege in Deitsch.

Croatian: Ako engleski jezik nije vaš prvi jezik, možemo vam pomoći. Nazovite Službu za članove na broj **1-866-293-1796, odnosno 711** za osobe sa poteškoćama u govoru i sluhu (TTY). Možete zatražiti informacije sadržane u ovim materijalima na vašem jeziku. Imamo pristup uslugama prevoditelja i možemo vam pomoći tako da odgovorimo na vaša pitanja na vašem jeziku.

Nepali: यदि अंग्रेजी तपाईंको पहिलो भाषा होइन भने, हामी मद्दत गर्न सक्छौं। सदस्य सेवाहरूको लागि **1-866-293-1796, TTY 711** मा फोन गर्नुहोस्। तपाईंले यस विषय बारे जानकारीका लागि हामीलाई आफ्नो भाषामा सोध्न सक्नुहुन्छ। हामीसँग दोभाषे सेवाहरूमा पहुँच छ र तपाईंको भाषामा तपाईंका प्रश्नहरूको जवाफ दिन मद्दत गर्न सक्छौं।

Serbian: Ako engleski nije vaš maternji jezik, možemo da vam pomognemo. Pozovite korisničku podršku na broj **1-866-293-1796, TTY 711**. Možete nam postaviti pitanja vezana za ovaj materijal na vašem jeziku. Imamo pristup prevodilačkim uslugama i na vaša pitanja možemo da vam odgovorimo na vašem jeziku.

Notice of non-discrimination

If you believe that UnitedHealthcare Community Plan has not given you these services or treated you differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance with Civil Rights Coordinator by:

Mail: Civil Rights Coordinator
UnitedHealthcare Civil Rights Grievance
P.O. Box 30608
Salt Lake City, UTAH 84130

Email: UHC_Civil_Rights@uhc.com

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights by:

Web: Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal at
<https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>

Mail: U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services
200 Independence Avenue SW
Room 509F, HHH Building
Washington, D.C. 20201

Phone: Toll-free **1-800-368-1019, 1-800-537-7697** (TDD).