



# HealthTalk

Your journey to better health



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**It's time for your annual flu shot.**  
Our flu shot location finder makes it easier to find where to get one.  
Learn more on page 2.

## Medicaid Renewal

### Take action

#### What you need to do to renew your Medicaid benefits

Medicaid members need to renew their coverage each year. Your state will tell you when its time. They may call it recertification or redetermination.

Make sure the state can reach you when it is time to renew. Give them your current address, email and phone number. It is important to reply when they contact you. If you don't you could lose your health plan.



**We're here to help.** Learn more at [uhc.com/staycovered](https://www.uhc.com/staycovered).

## Fight the flu

### It's time for your annual flu shot

It is important to get a flu shot every year. It is recommended for everyone 6 months and older.

#### Here are 3 reasons why:

1. It protects you from getting sick with the flu.
2. If you do get the flu, your symptoms will be less severe.
3. It also protects your family from getting the flu. When everyone gets the flu shot, it makes it harder for the flu to spread.

#### Get your flu shot today.

We have an online tool that makes it easier to schedule one. Visit [myuhc.com/findflushot](https://myuhc.com/findflushot).



## Ready, set, quit

### Help to quit smoking for good

It's no secret that it is hard to quit smoking and you might not know where to begin. Regardless of what stage of life you are in, a teenager, an expectant mom or an adult, quitting smoking is one of the most important actions you can take to improve your health. This is true no matter how long you have been smoking.

With the right support, you can more than double your chances of quitting for good.<sup>1</sup> Here are some ways to get help:

- Support from a counselor can be given by phone, one-on-one or in a group.
- Nicotine replacement helps relieve withdrawal symptoms. Choose from gums, patches, sprays, inhalers or lozenges.
- Medications that work on chemicals in the brain to break your addiction.

## Disease Management

# Improve your COPD symptoms

More than 16 million Americans have chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).<sup>1</sup> It causes coughing, wheezing, shortness of breath and increased mucus. It is more common for people over age 65.

COPD has to be diagnosed by a health care provider. If you have it, there are many ways you can improve your symptoms. Quitting smoking and taking medication can both help.

It is also important to take your medicine as prescribed. It will help you feel better. It can also help prevent “flare-ups” that make it hard to breathe.



## Transitions of care

# Follow-up care is important

## What to do after getting home from the hospital

The time immediately following a hospitalization or emergency room visit can be overwhelming. Take these steps to help ease this transition:

1. Understand your discharge instructions. Your nurse or provider should review these with you before you leave the hospital. Ask questions about anything you don't understand.
2. Fill any new prescriptions. While at the pharmacy, ask the pharmacist to review your entire list of medications for any possible drug interactions.
3. Make a follow up appointment with your Primary Care Provider (PCP) or behavioral health provider within 7 days following your discharge. Bring a copy of your discharge instructions and a list of any new medications prescribed to you.

Ask for support. Many people need extra help during this time. Asking for support from others may be just what you need for a speedy recovery.



If you need help scheduling a follow up appointment, please call the Member Services number toll-free at the number on page 4.

# We're here to help

**Member Services: 1-800-587-5187, TTY 711**

Get help with your questions and concerns. Find a health care provider or urgent care center, ask benefit questions or get help scheduling an appointment, in any language (toll-free).

**Our website: [myuhc.com/communityplan](https://myuhc.com/communityplan)**

Our website keeps all your health information in one place. You can find a health care provider, view your benefits or see your member ID card, wherever you are.

**UnitedHealthcare app: Download on the App Store® or Google Play™**

Access your health plan information on-the-go. View your coverage and benefits. Find nearby network providers. View your member ID card, get directions to your provider's office and much more.

**NurseLine: 1-877-440-9407, TTY 711**

Get health advice from a nurse 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (toll-free).

**Quit For Life: [quitnow.net](https://quitnow.net)**

**1-866-784-8454, TTY 711** (toll-free)

Get help quitting smoking.

**Care Management: 1-800-672-2156, TTY 711**

Members with chronic conditions and complex needs can get phone calls, home visits, health education, referrals to community resources, appointment reminders, help with rides and more (toll-free).

**BH Link: 401-414-LINK (401-414-5465)**

Mental health support is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

**Live and Work Well: [liveandworkwell.com](https://liveandworkwell.com)**

Find articles, self-care tools, caring providers, and mental health and substance use resources.

**Healthy First Steps®: 1-800-599-5985, TTY 711**

Get support throughout your pregnancy (toll-free).

**Self Care by AbleTo: [ableto.com/begin](https://ableto.com/begin)**

Ease stress and boost your mood with this Self Care app that gives you emotional health tools like meditations, breathing exercises, videos, and more.

**Community Connector:  
[uhc.care/HTCommConnector](https://uhc.care/HTCommConnector)**

UnitedHealthcare Community Resources has programs that can provide help with food, housing, paying utilities, and more. Search to find help in your area.

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**Civil Rights Coordinator**  
**UnitedHealthcare Civil Rights Grievance**  
P.O. Box 30608  
Salt Lake City, UT 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:

Online: **[hhs.gov/civil-rights/filing-a-complaint/index.html](https://hhs.gov/civil-rights/filing-a-complaint/index.html)**

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

By phone: **1-800-368-1019** (TDD **1-800-537-7697**)

We provide free auxiliary aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:

- Qualified American Sign Language interpreters
- Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)

We also provide free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as:

- Qualified interpreters
- Information written in other languages

If you need these services, please call Member Services at **1-800-587-5187**, TTY **711**, 8 a.m.–6 p.m. EST, Monday–Friday.

# 1-800-587-5187, TTY 711

**Spanish:** ATENCIÓN: La traducción y los servicios de asistencia de otros idiomas se encuentran disponibles sin costo alguno para usted. Si necesita ayuda, llame al número que se indica arriba.

**Portuguese:** ATENÇÃO: a tradução e outros serviços de assistência linguística estão disponíveis sem qualquer custo para si. Se precisar de ajuda, contacte o número indicado acima.

**Chinese:** 注意：您可以免費獲得翻譯及其他語言協助服務。如果您需要協助，請致電上列電話號碼。

**Haitian Creole:** ATANSYON: Gen tradiksyon ak lòt sèvis èd pou lang ki disponib gratis pou ou. Si w bezwen èd, tanpri rele nimewo ki mansyone anwo a.

**Khmer:** សម្គាល់៖ ប្រតិបត្តិការ និងសេវាជំនួយភាសាផ្សេងទៀត គឺអាចរកបានដោយឥតគិតថ្លៃចំពោះរូបអ្នក។ ប្រសិនបើអ្នកត្រូវការជំនួយ សូមហៅទូរសព្ទទៅលេខខាងលើ។

**French:** ATTENTION : la traduction et d'autres services d'assistance linguistique sont disponibles sans frais pour vous. Si vous avez besoin d'aide, veuillez appeler le numéro ci-dessus.

**Italian:** ATTENZIONE: il servizio di traduzione e altri servizi di assistenza linguistica sono disponibili gratuitamente. Se serve aiuto, si prega di chiamare il numero sopra indicato.

**Laotian:** ເຊີນຊາບ: ມີບໍລິການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອໃນການແປພາສາ ແລະ ພາສາອື່ນໆໃຫ້ແກ່ທ່ານໂດຍບໍ່ມີຄ່າໃຊ້ຈ່າຍໃດໆ. ຖ້າທ່ານຕ້ອງການຄວາມຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອ, ກະລຸນາໂທຫາເບີຂ້າງເທິງ.

**Arabic:** تنبيه: تتوفر خدمات الترجمة وخدمات المساعدة اللغوية الأخرى لك مجاناً. إذا كنت بحاجة إلى المساعدة، يُرجى الاتصال بالرقم أعلاه.

**Russian:** ВНИМАНИЕ! Услуги перевода, а также другие услуги языковой поддержки предоставляются бесплатно. Если вам требуется помощь, пожалуйста, позвоните по указанному выше номеру.

**Vietnamese:** CHÚ Ý: Dịch vụ dịch thuật và hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ khác được cung cấp cho quý vị miễn phí. Nếu quý vị cần trợ giúp, vui lòng gọi số ở trên.

**Igbo:** GEE NTỊ: Ntugharị asụsụ na ọrụ enyemaka asụsụ ndị ọzọ dịjiri gị n'akwughị ugwo. Ọ bụrụ na ịchọrọ enyemaka, biko kpọọ nọmba dị n'elu

**Polish:** UWAGA: tłumaczenia i inne formy pomocy językowej są dostępne bezpłatnie. Aby uzyskać pomoc, proszę zadzwonić pod numer powyżej.

**Korean:** 참고: 번역 및 기타 언어 지원 서비스를 무료로 제공해 드립니다. 도움이 필요하시면 위에 명시된 번호로 전화해 주십시오.

**Tagalog:** ATENSYON: Ang pagsasalin at iba pang mga serbisyong tulong sa wika ay magagamit mo nang walang bayad. Kung kailangan mo ng tulong, mangyaring tawagan ang numero sa itaas.