

Your journey to better health

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Communication needs

We provide free services to help you communicate with us. We can send you information in languages other than English or in large print. You can ask for an interpreter. To ask for help, please call Member Services toll-free at the phone number on Page 6.



Care guidelines The best care

Tools for better health

We give our providers tools so they can best care for our members. These tools are called clinical practice guidelines. They share best practices on how to manage illnesses and promote wellness.

The guidelines cover care for many illnesses and conditions like diabetes, high blood pressure and depression. They also give advice on how to stay well with proper diet,

exercise and vaccines. For more information, visit **uhcprovider. com/cpg**.



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Health equity Safe and secure

How we use and protect language, cultural and social needs

At UnitedHealthcare[®], we help coordinate your care across all of your health care providers. To do that, we receive and share important information about you. This may include your race, ethnicity, language you speak, gender identity, sexual orientation and social needs. This data and other personal information about you is protected health information (PHI). We may share this information with your health care providers as part of treatment, payment and operations. This helps us meet your health care needs.

Examples of how we may use this information to improve our services include:

- To find gaps in care
- To help you in languages other than English
- To create programs that meet your needs
- To tell your health care providers which language(s) you speak

We do not use this data to deny coverage or limit benefits. We protect this information in the same way we protect all other PHI. Access is restricted to those employees who need to use it. Our buildings and computers are secured. Computer passwords and other system protections keep vour data safe.

To find out more about how we protect your cultural data, visit uhc.com/about-us/relcollection-and-use. For more information on our health equity program, visit unitedhealthgroup.com/what-we-do/healthequity.html.

Member Handbook

All about your health plan

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/benefitsandcvg. Or call Member Services toll-free at the phone number on Page 6 to request a copy.



Plan benefits Caring for you

We want to make sure you get the care you need when you need it. If you need help getting to your provider's office, we can help. Our health plan offers transportation benefits to get you to appointments. Call Member Services at the phone number on Page 6 to learn more.

If you need to see a provider right away, you can get after-hours care at urgent care centers. We also have a NurseLine that you can call anytime — 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Virtual visits also are available.

To find a provider or look for urgent care center locations near you, visit **connect.werally.com/state-plan-selection/uhc.medicaid/state**. Or use the UnitedHealthcare app.

Your drug benefits

What you need to know

Visit our website to learn about your prescription drug benefits. It includes information on:

- **1. 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.
- 2. 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.
- 3. 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 also might be limits to the amount you can get of certain drugs.
- **4. Any costs to you.** You may have copayments for prescriptions.



Look it up. Find information on your drug benefits at myuhc.com/ communityplan/pharmaciesandrx.

Or call Member Services toll-free at the phone number on Page 6.



Utilization management 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 your provider asks for. They compare the care and services your provider asks for against clinical practice guidelines. They also compare what is being asked for against your benefits.

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

If you have any questions, call Member Services toll-free at the phone number on Page 6. TTY services and language assistance are available if you need them.

Health tools

Stay well

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 population health program. 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 at no cost to you. You can choose to stop any program at any time.





Primary care Take charge

Preparing for your provider visit can help you get the most out of it. So can making sure your provider knows about all the care you get. Here are 4 ways you can take charge of your health care:

- 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. Bring a written list.

Or bring the actual medicines. Mention who prescribed them for you.

- **3. Tell your provider about other providers you see.** Include behavioral health providers. Bring copies of any test results or treatment plans from other providers.
- 4. If you were in the hospital or emergency room (ER), see your provider as soon as possible after you go home. Share your discharge instructions with them. Proper follow-up may prevent another hospital admission or visit to the ER.

Member resources Here for you

We want to make it as easy as possible for you to get the most out of your health plan. As our member, you have many services and benefits available to you.

Member Services: 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). STAR and CHIP: 1-888-887-9003, TTY 711 STAR Kids: 1-877-597-7799, TTY 711

Our website: 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. myuhc.com/communityplan

UnitedHealthcare app: 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. Download on the App Store[®] or Google Play[™]

NurseLine: Get health advice from a nurse 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, at no cost to you (toll-free). STAR: 1-800-535-6714, TTY 711 CHIP: 1-800-850-1267, TTY 711 STAR Kids: 1-844-222-7326, TTY 711



Quit For Life: Get help quitting smoking at no cost to you (toll-free). 1-866-784-8454, TTY 711 quitnow.net

Transportation: Call Member Services to ask about rides to and from your medical and pharmacy visits. To schedule a ride, call at least 2 business days before your appointment. STAR and CHIP: 1-866-528-0441, TTY 711 STAR Kids: 1-866-529-2117, TTY 711

Care Management: This program is for members with chronic conditions and complex needs. You can get phone calls, home visits, health education, referrals to community resources, appointment reminders, help with rides and more (toll-free). STAR and CHIP: 1-888-887-9003, TTY 711 STAR Kids: 1-877-597-7799, TTY 711 Live and Work Well: Find articles, self-care tools, caring providers, and mental health and substance use resources. liveandworkwell.com

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

Go digital: Sign up for email, text messages and digital files to receive your health information more quickly. **myuhc.com/communityplan/ preference**



UnitedHealthcare Community Plan does not treat members differently because of sex, age, race, color, disability or national origin.

If you think you were treated unfairly because of your sex, age, race, color, disability or national origin, you can send a complaint to:

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

UHC_Civil_Rights@uhc.com

You must send the complaint within 60 days of when you found out about it. A decision will be sent to you within 30 days. If you disagree with the decision, you have 15 days to ask us to look at it again.

If you need help with your complaint, please call Member Services toll-free at **1-877-597-7799**, TTY **711**, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday – Friday.

You can also file a complaint with the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services.

Online: https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf Complaint forms are available at http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html Phone: Toll-free 1-800-368-1019, 1-800-537-7697 (TDD) Mail: U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services 200 Independence Avenue SW Room 509F, HHH Building Washington, D.C. 20201

If you need help with your complaint, please call the toll-free member phone number listed on your member ID card.

We provide free services to help you communicate with us such as letters in other languages, large print materials, auxiliary aids and services, materials in alternate formats, at your request. Or, you can ask for an interpreter. To ask for help, please call Member Services toll-free at **1-877-597-7799**, TTY **711**, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday – Friday.

Spanish	Ofrecemos servicios gratuitos para ayudarle a que se comunique con nosotros. Por ejemplo, cartas en otros idiomas o en letra grande. O bien, usted puede pedir un intérprete. Para pedir ayuda, llame al número de teléfono gratuito para miembros que se encuentra en su tarjeta de ID.
Vietnamese	Chúng tôi cung cấp nhiều dịch vụ miễn phí để giúp quý vị liên lạc với chúng tôi. Thí dụ như thư viết bằng những ngôn ngữ khác hoặc in với khổ chữ lớn. Hoặc, quý vị cũng có thể yêu cầu được thông dịch viên giúp quý vị. Để được giúp dỡ, xin quý vị vui lòng gọi số điện thoại miễn phí dành cho hội viên ghi trên thẻ ID hội viên của quý vị.
Chinese	我們提供免費服務幫助您與我們溝通。例如,其他語言版本或大字體信函。或 者,您可要求口譯員。如欲要求協助,請撥打會員卡上所列的免付費會員電話。
Korean	저희는 귀하가 의사소통을 할 수 있도록 도와드리기 위해 무료 서비스를 제공합니다. 예를 들면, 다른 언어 또는 대형 활자로 작성된 서신과 같은 것입니다. 또한 귀하는 통역사를 요청할 수 있습니다. 도움이 필요하신 경우, 귀하의 신분증 카드에 기재된 무료 회원 전화번호로 문의하십시오.
Arabic	نقدم لك خدمات مجانية لمساعدتك على التواصل معنا، مثل الخطابات باللغات الأخرى، أو الطباعة بأحرف كبيرة، أو يمكنك طلب مترجم فوري. لطلب المساعدة، برجاء الاتصال برقم الهاتف المجاني المُدرَج على بطاقة هويتك.
Urdu	ہم سے بات چیت کے لئے ہم مفت میں خدمات دستیاب کر اتے ہیں۔ جیسے دوسری زبانوں میں حروف یا بڑے پرنٹ، یا آپ مترجم کی خدمات حاصل کر سکتے ہیں۔ مدد طلب کرنے کے لئے بر ائے کرم آپ کے آئی ڈی میں درج شدہ ممبر کے ٹال فری نمبر پر کال کریں۔
Tagalog	Nagbibigay kami ng mga libreng serbisyo upang maatulungan kang makipag- ugnayan sa amin. Gaya ng mga liham na nakasulat sa iba pang wika o sa malalaking titik. Maari ka rin humiling ng tagasaling-wika. Upang humingi ng tulong, tumawag sa toll-free na numero ng telepono para sa miyembro na nakalista sa iyong ID card.
French	Nous proposons des services gratuits pour vous aider à communiquer avec nous, notamment des lettres dans d'autres langues ou en gros caractères. Vous pouvez aussi demander l'aide d'un interprète. Pour demander de l'aide, veuillez appeler le numéro de téléphone sans frais imprimé sur votre carte d'affilié.

Hindi	हमारे साथ संपर्क करने के लिए हम आपको मुफ्त सेवाएं उपलब्ध करवाते हैं। जैसे कि, दूसरी भाषाओं में पत्र या बड़े प्रिंट। या, आप एक व्याख्याकार के लिए निवेदन कर सकते हैं। मदद मांगने के लिए, कृपया अपने पहचान-पत्र की सूची में दिए गए टोल फ्री सदस्य फोन नंबर पर कॉल करें।
Persian	ما خدمات رایگانی را برای به کمک به شما در برقراری ارتباط با ما ارائه می کنیم. از قبیل نامه ها به سایر زبان ها یا چاپ درشت. یا می توانید برای مترجم شفاهی درخواست کنید. جهت درخواست برای کمک و راهنمایی، لطفاً با شماره تلفن رایگانی که بر روی کارت شناسایی شما قید شده تماس بگیرید.
German	Um Ihnen die Kommunikation mit uns zu erleichtern, stellen wir Ihnen kostenlose Dienste zur Verfügung. Hierzu zählen u. a. Schreiben in anderen Sprachen oder Großdruck und die Möglichkeit, einen Dolmetscher anzufordern. Bitte wenden Sie sich für Unterstützung an die gebührenfreie Rufnummer auf Ihrem Mitgliedsausweis.
Gujarati	અમારી સાથે માહિતીનું આદાન પ્રદાન કરવા માટે તમને મદદ કરવા માટે અમે નિ:શુલ્ક સેવાઓ પૂરી પાડીએ છીએ. જેવી કે અન્ય ભાષાઓમાં પત્રો કે મોટું છાપકામ. અથવા તમે એક દુભાષિયાની માંગ કરી શકો છો. મદદ માંગવા માટે, તમારા આઈડી કાર્ડ ઉપર નોંધવામાં આવેલા સભ્ય ટોલ ફ્રી ફોન નંબરને કોલ કરવા વિનંતી.
Russian	Мы предоставляем бесплатные услуги перевода для того чтобы помочь вам свободно общаться с нами. Например, мы переводим письма на другие языки или предоставляем информацию, напечатанную крупным шрифтом. Либо вы можете подать запрос о предоставлении вам услуг устного переводчика. Для того чтобы обратиться за помощью, вам необходимо позвонить по бесплатному для участников номеру, указанному на вашей идентификационной карте.
Japanese	お客様のコミュニケーションをお手伝いする無料のサービスをご用意していま す。これには他の言語や大きな文字での書簡などが含まれ、通訳もご利用いた だけます。サービスやお手伝いをご希望の方は、IDカードに記載されているメ ンバー用フリーダイヤルにお電話ください。
Laotian	ພວກເຮົາມີການບໍລິການຊ່ວຍໃຫ້ທ່ານຕິດຕໍ່ກັບພວກເຮົາເຊັ່ນ, ຈົດໝາຍໃນພາສາອື່ນ ຫຼື ການພິມຂະໜາດໃຫຍ່ ຫຼື ທ່ານສາມາດຮ້ອງຂໍໃຫ້ມີນາຍພາສາ. ຂໍຄວາມຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອ, ກະລຸນາໂທຫາເບີໂທລະ ສັບຂອງສະມາຊິກໂທຟຣີທີ່ລະບຸໄວ້ໃນບັດປະຈຳຕົວຂອງທ່ານ.