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## Care Guidelines 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.

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**.

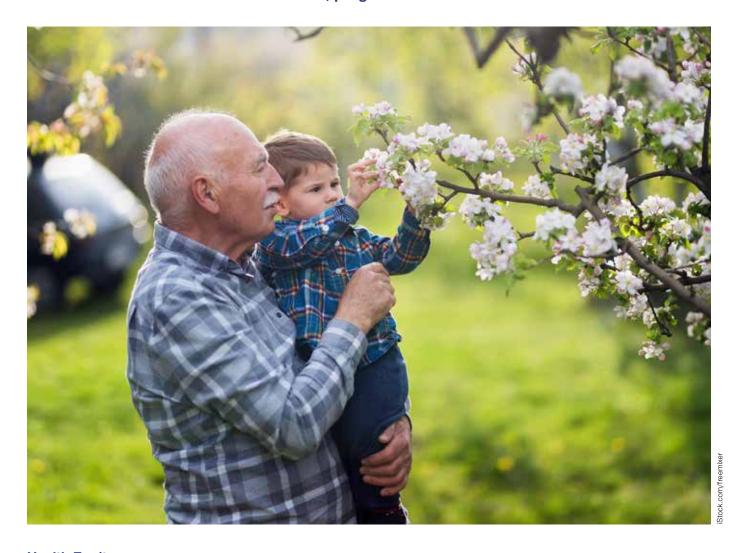


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Community Plan

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**Health Equity** 

# Safe and secure

### How we use and protect language and cultural data

We receive information about you. This may include your race, ethnicity, language you speak, gender identity and sexual orientation. 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/ rel-collection-and-use. For more information on our health equity program, visit unitedhealthgroup.com/what-we-do/healthequity.html.

#### **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.



#### **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 vou 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.

**Prescriptions** 

## **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.

#### **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.

#### **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.



Learn more. You can find more information about our programs and services at myuhc.com/

communityplan/healthwellness. If you want to make a referral to our care management program, call Member Services toll-free at the phone number on Page 6.



#### **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).

1-866-675-1607, 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 vou 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). 1-877-440-9409, 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:** Replace last two sentences with: We will try to use the least expensive way available to get you to the nearest preferred provider within a reasonable distance.

1-866-726-1472

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).

1-866-675-1607, TTY 711

Live and Work Well: Find articles, self-care tools, caring providers, and mental health and substance use resources. liveandworkwell.com

**Assurance Wireless:** Get unlimited high-speed data, minutes and texts each month. Plus an Android smartphone at no cost to you. assurancewireless.com/ partner/buhc

**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

Sanvello: This health and well-being app has resources like guided journeys, coping tools and community support. Download the app. Create an account. Choose "upgrade through insurance." Search for and select UnitedHealthcare. Enter the information on your member ID card. sanvello.com

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

Crisis Line: Call when you are experiencing a behavioral health crisis. This service is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Once the emergency is resolved, we will connect you to treatment and additional support services.

1-866-232-1626, TTY 711