



# HealthTALK

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## Register online!

You can get important information about your health plan anytime at [myuhc.com/CommunityPlan](http://myuhc.com/CommunityPlan). At this secure site, you can view your ID card, find a provider, take a health assessment, learn about your benefits and more. Go to [myuhc.com/CommunityPlan](http://myuhc.com/CommunityPlan) to register today and start getting more from your benefits.

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## The right care.

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan does utilization management (UM). All managed care health plans do. It's how we make sure our members are getting the right care at the right time and in the right place.

A doctor reviews requests when care may not meet guidelines. Decisions are based on care and service as well as your benefits. We do not reward doctors or staff for denying services. We do not pay anyone for providing less care.

Members and doctors have the right to appeal denials. The denial letter will tell you how to appeal.

 **Questions?** You can talk to our staff. They are available 8 hours a day during normal business hours. If you need to leave a message, someone will call you back. TDD/TTY services and language assistance are available if you need them. Just call **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**, toll-free.



# Your partner in health.

## How to choose the right PCP.

Your primary care provider (PCP) provides or coordinates your health care. You should see your PCP for well visits, immunizations and important screenings. Your PCP can help you lead a healthier lifestyle by providing tools to help you lose weight or quit smoking.

You want to feel comfortable talking with your PCP. You need a PCP with an office location and hours that work for you. You may want a PCP who speaks your language or understands your culture. You might prefer a male or a female PCP.

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

If your PCP isn't right for you, you can switch at any time. You can learn more about plan providers online or by phone. Information available includes:

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

 **Need a new doctor?** To find a new PCP, visit [myuhc.com/CommunityPlan](https://myuhc.com/CommunityPlan) or use the UnitedHealthcare Health4Me® app. Or call us toll-free at **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711.**

## 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.

 **Get it all.** You can read the Member Handbook online at [myuhc.com/CommunityPlan](https://myuhc.com/CommunityPlan). Or call Member Services toll-free at **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**, to request a copy of the handbook.



# Know your drug benefits.

## Find out more online.

Visit our website at [myuhc.com/CommunityPlan](https://myuhc.com/CommunityPlan) 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 may also be limits to the amount you can get of certain drugs.
- 4. Any costs to you.** You do not have copayments for prescriptions.



**Look it up.** Find information on your drug benefits at [myuhc.com/CommunityPlan](https://myuhc.com/CommunityPlan). Or, call Member Services toll-free at **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**.

## Health equity.

We receive cultural data about you. This may include your race, ethnicity and the language you speak. We use this information to help us meet your health care needs. We may use it to improve the services we provide by:

- Finding gaps in care.
- Helping you in other languages.
- Creating programs that meet your needs.
- Telling your health care providers what language you speak.

We do not use this data to deny coverage or limit benefits. We protect this information. We limit who can see your cultural data. We keep your race, ethnicity and language data safe and secure. Only those who need to use this data have access to it. We guard it using physical, technical and administrative means.



**Learn more.** Want more information on our health equity programs? Visit

[myuhc.com/about-us/health-equity](https://myuhc.com/about-us/health-equity). You may also call Member Services toll-free at **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**, for more information.

## Prepare to see your provider.

Preparing for your provider's visit can help you get the most out of it. So can making sure your provider knows about all the care you have. Here's how you can take charge of your health care:

- 1. Think about what you want to get out of the visit before you go.** Try to 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 with you.
- 3. Tell your provider about other providers you may be seeing.** Include behavioral health providers. Mention any medications or treatment they have prescribed for you. Also bring copies of results of any tests you have had.

# Safe and secure.

## Your privacy is important.

We take your privacy seriously. We are very careful with your family's protected health information (PHI). We also guard your financial information (FI). We use PHI and FI to run our business. It helps us provide products, services and information to you.

We protect oral, written and electronic PHI and FI. We have rules that tell us how we can keep PHI and FI safe. We don't want PHI or FI to get lost or destroyed. We want to make sure no one misuses it. We use it carefully. We have policies that explain:

- How we may use PHI and FI.
- When we may share PHI and FI with others.
- What rights you have to your family's PHI and FI.



**It's no secret.** You may read our privacy policy in your Member Handbook. It's online at [myuhc.com/CommunityPlan](https://myuhc.com/CommunityPlan). You may also call

Member Services toll-free at **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**, to ask us to mail you a copy. If we make changes to the policy, we will mail you a notice.



## We speak your language.

If you speak a language other than English, language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. We can send you information in other languages or in large print. You can ask for an interpreter. To ask for help, please call **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**, toll-free. Voicemail is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.



## We care.

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan provides care management. Care management helps members with special needs get the services and care they need. Care managers work with the health plan, providers and outside agencies. They help people with:

- Physical disabilities.
- Serious mental illness.
- Complex health problems.
- Other special needs.



**How can we help?** Take a Health Assessment at [myuhc.com/CommunityPlan](https://myuhc.com/CommunityPlan).

Or take it over the phone by calling Member Services toll-free at **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**.

This short survey will help find programs that are right for you.

# Spring is here!

## Coping with seasonal allergies and asthma.

When trees get their leaves, grass grows and flowers bloom, they send pollen into the air. For many people, this means allergy and asthma symptoms get worse. You may have trouble breathing. You may have itchy eyes or a drippy nose. There are things you can do to feel better this spring.

- Check air quality. It's often reported with the weather. It can tell you levels of different kinds of pollens and pollution.
- If you play, garden or exercise outdoors, enjoy these activities in the morning or early afternoon. Springtime tree and grass pollen counts are lower at those times of day.
- After spending time outdoors, shower and change your clothes. This keeps pollen off your furniture and bedding.
- Keep windows closed in your home and car when possible.
- Take your medicine. If you have asthma, take your controller medication as prescribed. Carry your quick-relief inhaler with you.

Follow your provider's orders for treating other allergy symptoms.



## See here.

Diabetic retinopathy is a common complication of diabetes. High blood sugar damages the blood vessels in the eye. Symptoms rarely start until the damage is bad. Treatment can stop it from getting worse. But it can't reverse the vision loss that already happened.

That's why it is so important to have a diabetic eye exam every year. It can catch the problem before you have symptoms. The test is quick and painless.

People with diabetes also are at higher risk for other eye diseases. These include cataracts and glaucoma. Good control of your diabetes can reduce your risk of vision loss.



**We can help.** If you have diabetes or another chronic condition, we can help. We offer disease management programs. They help you manage your condition. To learn more, call Member Services toll-free at **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711.**

## Resource corner.

**Member Services:** Find a doctor, ask benefit questions or voice a complaint, in any language (toll-free).

**1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**

**Our website and app:** Find a provider, read your Member Handbook or see your ID card, wherever you are.

**[myuhc.com/CommunityPlan](http://myuhc.com/CommunityPlan)  
Health4Me®**

**NurseLine<sup>SM</sup>:** Get health advice from a nurse 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, (toll-free).

**1-877-370-4009, TTY 711**

**Healthy First Steps®:** Get support throughout your pregnancy.

**1-800-599-5985, TTY 711**

**Baby Blocks<sup>TM</sup>:** Get rewards for timely prenatal and well-baby care.

**[UHCBabyBlocks.com](http://UHCBabyBlocks.com)**

**KidsHealth®:** Get reliable information on health topics for and about kids.

**[KidsHealth.org](http://KidsHealth.org)**

**National Domestic Violence Hotline:**

Get support, resources and advice 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (toll-free).

**1-800-799-SAFE, TTY 1-800-787-3224  
[thehotline.org](http://thehotline.org)**

**Want to receive information**

**electronically?** Call Member Services and give us your email address (toll-free).

**1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**

**Medicaid Program Integrity:** Report suspected fraud and abuse by providers or members to the state.

**1-800-880-5920, TTY 711 (toll-free)  
1-601-576-4162 (local)**



## Top quality.

### Our quality improvement results.

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan has a Quality Improvement program. It works to give members better care and services.

Each year we report how well we are doing. Last year, one of our goals was to increase the number of children who received yearly checkups. We sent members information about how important it is for their children to see their doctor every year for vaccines and screenings. We found that overall in 2018 more children did get these services.

We want to improve even more this year and have more children get lead screenings, vaccinations and yearly checkups. We also want more of our adult members who have diabetes to get their HgbA1c blood tests and retinal eye scans.

We also survey our members each year. We want to see how well we are meeting their needs. Last year we worked on improving how members rate their doctors. We gave our doctors tip sheets on what members like so they could serve them better. Our 2018 surveys showed higher scores in how members rate their doctor.

In the coming year we will continue to work on improving this. We will also work to decrease the time members have to wait when they need care right away. We will also continue to work with our Member Services team to provide members with all of the information they need.



**Quality matters.** Want more information on our Quality Improvement program? Call Member Services toll-free at **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711.**



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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 submit the complaint in writing within 30 days of when you found out about it. If your complaint cannot be resolved in 1 day it will be treated as a grievance. We will send you an acknowledgement of the grievance within 5 days of receipt of the grievance. A decision will be sent to you within 30 days.

If you need help with your complaint, please call the toll-free member phone number at **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. CT (and 7:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. CT on Wednesday). We are also available 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. CT the first Saturday and Sunday of each month.

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

We provide free services to help you communicate with us. Such as, letters in other languages or large print. Or, you can ask for an interpreter. To ask for help, please call the toll-free member phone number at **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. CT (and 7:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. CT on Wednesday). We are also available 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. CT the first Saturday and Sunday of each month.

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan no da un tratamiento diferente a sus miembros en base a su sexo, edad, raza, color, discapacidad u origen nacional.

Si usted piensa que ha sido tratado injustamente por razones como su sexo, edad, raza, color, discapacidad u origen nacional, puede enviar una queja a:

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

**UHC\_Civil\_Rights@uhc.com**

Usted tiene que presentar la queja por escrito dentro de los primeros 30 días a partir de la fecha cuando se enteró de ella. Si su queja no puede resolverse en un día, se le considerará como reclamación. Nosotros le enviaremos una notificación de recibido de su reclamación dentro de los primeros 5 días después de haberla recibido. Se le enviará la decisión en un plazo de 30 días.

Si usted necesita ayuda con su queja, por favor llame al número de teléfono gratuito para miembros **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**, de lunes a viernes, de 7:30 a.m. a 5:30 p.m. CT (y de 7:30 a.m. a 8:00 p.m. CT los miércoles). También estamos disponibles de 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m. CT el primer sábado y domingo de cada mes.

Usted también puede presentar una queja con el Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos de los Estados Unidos.

**Internet:**

<https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>

Formas para las quejas se encuentran disponibles en:

<http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>

**Teléfono:**

Llamada gratuita, **1-800-368-1019, 1-800-537-7697** (TDD)

**Correo:**

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Washington, D.C. 20201

Ofrecemos servicios gratuitos para ayudarle a comunicarse con nosotros. Tales como, cartas en otros idiomas o en letra grande. O bien, puede solicitar un intérprete. Para pedir ayuda, por favor llame al número de teléfono gratuito para miembros **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**, de lunes a viernes, de 7:30 a.m. a 5:30 p.m. CT (y de 7:30 a.m. a 8:00 p.m. CT los miércoles). También estamos disponibles de 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m. CT el primer sábado y domingo de cada mes.

## English

ATTENTION: If you do not speak English, language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. Call **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**.

## Spanish

ATENCIÓN: si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**.

## Vietnamese

LƯU Ý: Nếu quý vị nói Tiếng Việt, chúng tôi có các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí cho quý vị. Vui lòng gọi số **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**.

## Traditional Chinese

注意：如果您說中文，您可獲得免費語言協助服務。請致電 **1-877-743-8731**，或聽障專線 **TTY 711**。

## French

ATTENTION : Si vous parlez français, vous pouvez obtenir une assistance linguistique gratuite. Appelez le **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**.

## Arabic

تنبيه: إذا كنت تتحدث العربية، تتوفر لك خدمات المساعدة اللغوية مجاناً. اتصل على الرقم **1-877-743-8731**، الهاتف النصي **.711**

## Choctaw

Pisa: Chahta anumpa ish anumpuli hokma, anumpa tohsholi yvt peh pilla ho chi apela hinla. I paya **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**.

## Tagalog

ATENSYON: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, may magagamit kang mga serbisyo ng pantulong sa wika, nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**.

## German

HINWEIS: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlose Sprachendienste zur Verfügung. Wählen Sie: **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**.

## Korean

참고: 한국어를 하시는 경우, 통역 서비스를 무료로 이용하실 수 있습니다. **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711** 로 전화하십시오.

## Gujarati

ધ્યાન આપો: જો તમે ગુજરાતી બોલતા હો, તો તમારા માટે વિના મૂલ્યે ભાષાકીય સહાયતા સેવાઓ ઉપલબ્ધ છે. કોલ કરો **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**.

## Japanese

ご注意:日本語をお話しになる場合は、言語支援サービスを無料でご利用いただけます。電話番号**1-877-743-8731**、または**TTY 711**。

## Russian

ВНИМАНИЕ: Если вы говорите по-русски, вы можете воспользоваться бесплатными услугами переводчика. Звоните по тел **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**.

## Panjabi

ਸਾਵਧਾਨ: ਜੇਕਰ ਤੁਸੀਂ ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਬੋਲਦੇ ਹੋ, ਤਾਂ ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਲਈ, ਮੁਫਤ ਵਿੱਚ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਸਹਾਇਤਾ ਸੇਵਾਵਾਂ ਉਪਲਬਧ ਹਨ। ਕਿਰਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਆਪਣੀ ਹੈਲਥ ਪਲਾਨ ਟੀਮ ਨੂੰ ਸੰਪਰਕ ਕਰੋ। **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711** ਤੇ ਕਾਲ ਕਰੋ।

**Italian**

ATTENZIONE: se parla italiano, Le vengono messi gratuitamente a disposizione servizi di assistenza linguistica. Chiami il numero **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**.

**Hindi**

धुनन दै: डदल आड हलनुदी डलषल डुलते हँ तु डलषल सलहलड तल सेवलं आडके ललए नलःशुलुक उडलडुध हँ। कलल करँ **1-877-743-8731, TTY 711**.