

COVID-19



Important Message from UnitedHealthcare on Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Your health and wellbeing is our number one priority. That's why we want to make sure you stay informed about 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. For the most up-to-date information and resources about prevention, coverage, care and support please visit **UHCCP.com**.

In response to COVID-19, UnitedHealthcare is making telehealth available at no cost to you. Telehealth visits allow you to talk with a local health care provider for both urgent and non-urgent needs using your mobile device or computer. Call your Primary Care Provider (PCP) to see if they offer visits online or by phone. If you don't have a doctor you see regularly, visit **myuhc.com/CommunityPlan** to find a network provider that may be able to offer a telehealth visit.

The articles found in the Spring HealthTalk newsletter were written and printed prior to the COVID-19 outbreak. These short, interesting articles are aimed to help keep you and your family healthy all year long. To ensure your safety and those around you we suggest you schedule your annual wellness visit in the fall or winter.

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 often touched surfaces.
- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze, and then throw the tissue in the trash.
- While a flu shot does not stop COVID-19, it's still good to protect yourself against the flu. Contact your primary care provider and schedule your flu shot.

Stay informed on the latest advice:

- For the most updated information about COVID-19, visit the CDC's COVID-19 page **[cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov)**



Five steps to wash your hands the right way

Handwashing is one of the best ways to protect yourself and your family from getting sick. During the COVID-19 pandemic, keeping hands clean is especially important to help prevent the virus from spreading.

Washing your hands is easy, and it's one of the most effective ways to prevent the spread of germs. Clean hands can stop germs from spreading from one person to another and throughout an entire community—from your home and workplace to childcare facilities and hospitals.

Follow these five steps every time

1. Wet your hands with clean, running water (warm or cold), turn off the tap, and apply soap.
2. Lather your hands by rubbing them together with the soap. Lather the backs of your hands, between your fingers, and under your nails.
3. Scrub your hands for at least 20 seconds. Need a timer? Hum the “Happy Birthday” song from beginning to end twice.
4. Rinse your hands well under clean, running water.
5. Dry your hands using a clean towel or air dry them.

Learn more about regular handwashing at [cdc.gov/handwashing](https://www.cdc.gov/handwashing).



HealthTALK

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Diabetes affects your kidneys.

To learn more, check out Aloha Kidney Classes, which are offered near you. To register, call **808-585-8404**. Or find more information at **alohakidney.com**. You can also contact your Service Coordinator or Member Services for information about other resources. Call toll-free **1-888-980-8728, TTY 711**.

Going home.

Have you been in the hospital or emergency room (ER)? If so, it is important to receive follow-up instructions before you go home. 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.

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



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



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Need a new doctor?

To find a new PCP, visit

myuhc.com/CommunityPlan.

Or call us toll-free at **1-888-980-8728**,
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 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.
- Our privacy policy.
- What to do if you get a bill.

- Where, when and how to get primary, after-hours, behavioral health, specialty, hospital and emergency care.
- 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**.

Or call Member Services toll-free at **1-888-980-8728**, **TTY 711**, to request a free copy of the handbook.

Know your prescription benefits.

Visit our website at myuhc.com/CommunityPlan to learn about your prescription benefits. It includes information on:

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



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Look it up. Find information on your prescription benefits at myuhc.com/CommunityPlan.

Or, call Member Services toll-free at **1-888-980-8728, TTY 711.**



The right care.

How we decide which services are covered.

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 Monday–Friday, 7:45 a.m.–4:30 p.m. 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 **1-888-980-8728, TTY 711**, toll-free.

We care for you.

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 Population Health program. They can 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 doctor 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.



Take care. Visit myuhc.com/CommunityPlan

to find more information about network doctors. You can also learn more about 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 **1-888-980-8728, TTY 711**.

Safe and secure.

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. You may also call Member Services toll-free at **1-888-980-8728, TTY 711**, to ask us to mail you a copy. If we make changes to the policy, we will mail you a notice.



Take charge.

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 receive. Here's how you can take charge of your health care:

- **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.
- **Tell your provider about any prescriptions or vitamins you take on a regular basis.** Bring a written list. Or bring the medicine itself with you.
- **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.

We speak your language.

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 **1-888-980-8728, TTY 711**.

我們提供免費服務，幫助您與我們溝通。我們可以寄送英文以外其他語言的資訊或大字體。您可以要求安排口譯員。如需協助，請撥打會員服務部免付費電話 **1-888-980-8728, TTY 711**。

저희와 대화할 수 있도록 무료 서비스를 제공해 드립니다. 저희는 영어 이외의 다른 언어로 또는 큰 활자체로 정보를 제공할 수 있습니다. 통역사를 요청할 수 있습니다. 도움이 필요하신 경우에는 회원 서비스 센터의 수신자 부담 전화 **1-888-980-8728, TTY 711**로 연락하십시오.

Mangipaay kami kadagiti libre nga serbisio tapno matulungan daka nga makikatungtong kadakami. Mabalindaka a patulodan ti impormasion iti sabali nga lenguahe nga haan nga Ingles wenno dakkel a naiyemprenta. Mabalina ka agkiddaw iti tagaipatarus. Tapno agkiddaw iti tulong, maidawat nga tawagan ti Serbisio Kadagiti Miembro toll-free ayan iti **1-888-980-8728, TTY 711**.

Chúng tôi cung cấp các dịch vụ miễn phí nhằm giúp quý vị giao tiếp với chúng tôi. Chúng tôi có thể gửi cho quý vị thông tin bằng các ngôn ngữ khác không phải là tiếng Anh hoặc bằng chữ in lớn. Quý vị có thể yêu cầu cung cấp dịch vụ phiên dịch viên. Để yêu cầu trợ giúp, hãy gọi cho bộ phận Dịch vụ thành viên theo số điện thoại miễn phí **1-888-980-8728, TTY 711**.

Nagbibigay kami ng mga libreng serbisyo upang tulungan kang makipag-ugnayan sa amin. Maaari kaming magpadala sa iyo ng impormasyon sa mga wikang hindi Ingles o sa malaking print. Maaari kang humiling ng interpreter. Upang humingi ng tulong, tumawag sa Mga Serbisyo sa Miyembro nang walang bayad sa **1-888-980-8728, 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.

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Resource corner.

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

1-888-980-8728, TTY 711

Our website: Find a provider, read your Member Handbook 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).

1-888-980-8728, TTY 711

Quit For Life®: Get free help quitting smoking.

quitnow.net

Healthy First Steps®: Get support throughout your pregnancy (toll-free).

1-800-599-5985, TTY 711

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

KidsHealth.org

Want to receive information

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

1-888-980-8728, TTY 711

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 for more of our adult members who have diabetes to get their HbA1c blood tests and retinal eye scans. We sent members information and reminders about how important it is to see their doctor regularly to help manage their diabetes. We found that overall in 2019 more members did have their HbA1c blood tests and eye exams.

Last year, another goal was to increase the number of children who received yearly checkups. We want to improve even more this year and have more children get lead screenings, vaccinations and yearly checkups. We also want to improve the percentage of members who have cervical cancer and breast cancer screenings in the coming year. We will be calling members with reminders.

We also survey our members each year. We want to see how well we are meeting their needs. Our 2019 surveys showed mostly higher scores in how members rated their doctors. In the coming year, we will continue to work on improving how members rate their doctors and their overall health care. We also want to make sure members get the care they need when they need it. We gave our doctors tip sheets on what members like so they can better serve them.



Quality matters. Want more information on our Quality Improvement program? Call Member Services toll-free at **1-888-980-8728, TTY 711.**

Check it off.



Take this checkup checklist to your next appointment.

You and your children should have regular checkups with your primary care provider (PCP). Preparing for a checkup helps you get the most out of your visit.

Think about these topics before your next visit:

- Family history.** Have any of your relatives been diagnosed with diseases since your last visit?
- Screenings.** Ask your PCP if you are due for any tests or screenings.
- Immunizations.** Ask your PCP if you or your children are due for any shots.
- Questions.** Make a list of any health changes since your last visit.
- Goals.** Make a list of health goals, such as losing weight, getting pregnant or quitting smoking.



It's also important to be screened for diseases. Screenings help catch conditions early.

- Breast cancer.** Depending on risk, annual mammograms begin for women as early as age 40 or as late as age 45. Then mammograms every 2 years for women ages 50 to 74.
- Cervical cancer.** Pap screening every 3 years for women ages 21 to 29. Pap and HPV tests every 5 years for women ages 30 to 64.
- Colorectal cancer.** There are three primary screening options for men and women ages 50 to 75. Fecal occult blood test (FOBT) yearly. Or flexible sigmoidoscopy every 5 years. Or colonoscopy every 10 years.

Questions for the doctor.



Write it down.

Sometimes it is hard to remember questions to ask your doctor during your visit. Write down your questions before your visit here. Then tear off this page and bring it with you when you go!

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

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7. _____

8. _____

9. _____

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate, exclude people, or treat people differently because of:

- Race
- Disability
- Age
- National Origin
- Color
- Sex

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:

- Qualified sign language interpreters
- Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan provides 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, contact us toll-free at **1-888-980-8728, TTY 711.**

If you believe that UnitedHealthcare Community Plan has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way, you can file a grievance with:

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

UHC_Civil_Rights@uhc.com

You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email. If you need help filing a grievance, Civil Rights Coordinator UnitedHealthcare is available to help you.

You can also file a grievance with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at **<https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>**, or by mail or phone at:

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

1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

Complaint forms are available at **<http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>**.

(English) Do you need help in another language? We will get you a free interpreter. Call 1-888-980-8728 to tell us which language you speak. (TTY: 711).
(Cantonese) 您需要其它語言嗎? 如有需要, 請致電 1-888-980-8728 , 我們會提供免費翻譯服務 (TTY: 711).
(Chuukese) En mi niit alilis lon pwal eu kapas? Sipwe angei emon chon chiaku ngonuk ese kamo. Kokori 1-888-980-8728 omw kopwe ureni kich meni kapas ka ani. (TTY: 711).
(French) Avez-vous besoin d'aide dans une autre langue? Nous pouvons vous fournir gratuitement des services d'un interprète. Appelez le 1-888-980-8728 pour nous indiquer quelle langue vous parlez. (TTY: 711).
(German) Brauchen Sie Hilfe in einer anderen Sprache? Wir koennen Ihnen gern einen kostenlosen Dolmetscher besorgen. Bitte rufen Sie uns an unter 1-888-980-8728 und sagen Sie uns Bescheid, welche Sprache Sie sprechen. (TTY: 711).
(Hawaiian) Makemake `oe i kokua i pili kekahi `olelo o na `aina `e? Makemake la maua i ki`i `oe mea unuhi manuahi. E kelepona 1-888-980-8728 `oe ia la kua a e ha`ina `oe ia la maua mea `olelo o na `aina `e. (TTY: 711).
(Ilocano) Masapulyo kadi ti tulong iti sabali a pagsasao? Ikkandakayo iti libre nga paraipatarus. Awaganyo ti 1-888-980-8728 tapno ibagayo kadakami no ania ti pagsasao nga ar-aramatenyo. (TTY: 711).
(Japanese) 貴方は、他の言語に、助けを必要としていますか？ 私たちは、貴方のために、無料で通訳を用意できます。電話番号の、 1-888-980-8728 に、電話して、私たちに貴方の話されている言語を申し出てください。 (TTY: 711).
(Korean) 다른언어로 도움이 필요하십니까? 저희가 무료로 통역을 제공합니다. 1-888-980-8728 로 전화해서 사용하는 언어를 알려주십시오 (TTY: 711).
(Mandarin) 您需要其它语言吗? 如有需要, 请致电 1-888-980-8728 , 我们会提供免费翻译服务 (TTY: 711).
(Marshalllese) Kwoj aikuij ke jiban kin juon bar kajin? Kim naj lewaj juon am dri ukok eo ejjelok wonen. Kirtok 1-888-980-8728 im kwalok non kim kajin ta eo kwo melele im kenono kake. (TTY: 711).
(Samoan) E te mana'o mia se fesosoani i se isi gagana? Matou te fesosoani e ave atu fua se faaliliu upu mo oe. Vili mai i le numera lea 1-888-980-8728 pea e mana'o mia se fesosoani mo se faaliliu upu. (TTY: 711).
(Spanish) ¿Necesita ayuda en otro idioma? Nosotros le ayudaremos a conseguir un intérprete gratuito. Llame al 1-888-980-8728 y díganos que idioma habla. (TTY: 711).
(Tagalog) Kailangan ba ninyo ng tulong sa ibang lengguwahe? Ikukuha namin kayo ng libreng tagasalin. Tumawag sa 1-888-980-8728 para sabihin kung anong lengguwahe ang nais ninyong gamitin. (TTY: 711).
(Tongan) 'Oku ke fiema'u tokoni 'iha lea makehe? Te mau malava 'o 'oatu ha fakatonulea ta'etotongi. Telefoni ki he 1-888-980-8728 'o fakaha mai pe koe ha 'ae lea fakafonua 'oku ke ngaue'aki. (TTY: 711).
(Vietnamese) Bạn có cần giúp đỡ bằng ngôn ngữ khác không ? Chúng tôi sẽ yêu cầu một người thông dịch viên miễn phí cho bạn. Gọi 1-888-980-8728 nói cho chúng tôi biết bạn dùng ngôn ngữ nào. (TTY: 711).
(Visayan) Gakinahanglan ka ba ug tabang sa imong pinulongan? Amo kang mahatagan ug libre nga maghuhubad. Tawag sa 1-888-980-8728 aron magpahibalo kung unsa ang imong sinulti-han. (TTY: 711).