



# HealthTALK

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## Plan to quit.

Every November, the Great American Smokeout asks everyone to quit smoking. You can quit for just that one day. Or it could be the first day of a permanent, healthy change.

There is no way to safely use tobacco. Make a plan to quit on November 15. Ask your provider for help quitting. Or call **1-866-784-8454** or visit **quitnow.net** to learn more.

## Mammograms save lives.

Today, there are more than 3 million breast cancer survivors in the U.S. This is because more women are getting mammograms. A mammogram is an x-ray of the breast. It is used to find breast cancer early, before you notice a lump.

Getting a mammogram on schedule can help you beat cancer if your doctor finds it early. When caught early, breast cancer is often curable. If you are over 40, talk to your health care provider about your breast cancer risk factors. These include your family and personal health history, ethnicity and lifestyle. Together, you can create the best screening schedule for you.



**Are you at risk?** Talk to your doctor about your risk factors for breast cancer. For help scheduling an appointment or finding a provider, call Member Services toll-free at **1-800-587-5187**, **TTY 711**.

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## Behavioral health.


Not all illnesses are physical. Getting the mental health care you need is important.

If you or your children are struggling with mental health, ask your primary care provider (PCP) about seeing a behavioral health specialist. A behavioral health specialist can treat mental disorders such as:

- Anxiety disorders.
- Depression.
- Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD).
- Seasonal affective disorder (SAD).
- Substance use disorder.

To make an appointment, call the behavioral health provider's office directly. When you call to make an appointment, be sure to tell the office why you need to see the provider. This will help make sure you get the care you need, when you need it.

If you or someone you know is thinking about suicide, seek help right away. Call **911** if someone is in immediate danger. Or go to the closest emergency room. Prior authorization is not required for emergency services.

 **Get help.** To learn more about your behavioral health benefits, call Member Services toll-free at **1-800-587-5187, TTY 711.**



## Be flu free.


### Get a flu shot this season.

The flu virus is very common. An annual flu shot is the best protection. You and your children aged 6 months and older should get one each year. You need a flu shot each year because there are different kinds of flu every year.

If you get the flu, it could cause serious complications. You may need to be hospitalized. It can even cause death. People who have ongoing medical problems are more likely to get the flu.

Follow these tips to help prevent the flu:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water. Or, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Don't touch your eyes, nose or mouth unless you have just washed your hands.
- Eat well, exercise, drink lots of water and get enough sleep.
- Try to avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Cover your nose and mouth when you cough or sneeze.

 **Your best shot.** There is no cost to you for flu shots. The best place to get one is at your primary care provider's (PCP's) office. You can also get one at any clinic or store that accepts your plan. Call Member Services toll-free at **1-800-587-5187, TTY 711**, for more information. Visit [myuhc.com/CommunityPlan](https://myuhc.com/CommunityPlan) or use the UnitedHealthcare **Health4Me**® app to find a location near you.

## Members only.

You can get important information about your health plan anytime at [myuhc.com/CommunityPlan](https://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. Register today and start getting more from your benefits. It's quick and easy:

1. Go to [myuhc.com/CommunityPlan](https://myuhc.com/CommunityPlan).
2. Click on "Register Now." You will need your member ID card, or you can use your Social Security number and date of birth to register.
3. Follow the step-by-step instructions.



## Sleep well.

Sleep is very important for babies, children and teens. When kids don't get enough sleep, it can affect their health and behavior. A bedtime routine can help kids get enough sleep at any age. Try these tips:

- Stick to a bedtime each night. Remind kids bedtime is coming at least once ahead of time.
- Have a consistent bedtime routine. Include quiet time well before bed in the routine.
- Help older kids and teens stick to a bedtime. Make rules about electronic devices at night.



**Learn more.** Visit [uhc.com/kids](https://uhc.com/kids) to learn more about sleep or any kids' health topic. This website has articles, videos and interactive content for parents, children and teens.

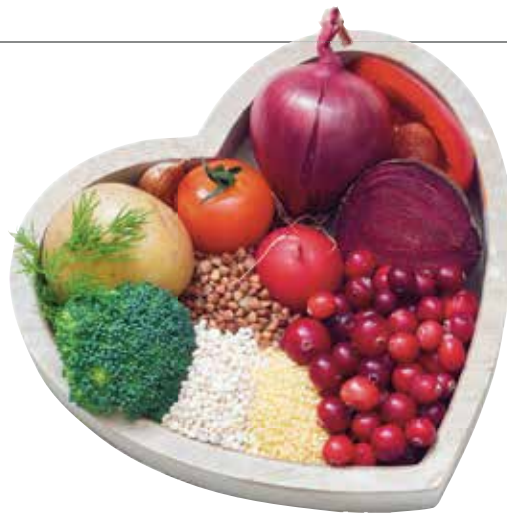
## Heart smart.

### Know your cholesterol numbers.

Cholesterol is a fatty substance in your blood. HDL is called "good" cholesterol. LDL is the bad kind. Keeping your cholesterol levels healthy is a great way to keep your heart healthy. High cholesterol raises your risk for heart disease and stroke.

Ask your doctor about the right levels for you. Ideal numbers are based on your gender and heart disease risk factors. People with diabetes need to pay close attention to their LDL levels.

You can control your cholesterol. A healthy diet and exercise can keep it low. Medication can help lower it if it is too high.



**People with high cholesterol have about twice the risk of heart disease as people with lower levels.**



**Get tested.** The American Heart Association recommends all adults age 20 or older have their cholesterol checked every 4 to 6 years. People with diabetes or other risk factors should get tested each year.





## Resource corner.

**Member Services:** Find a doctor, ask benefit questions or voice a complaint, in any language (toll-free).  
**1-800-587-5187, TTY 711**

**Our website and app:** Find a provider, read your Member Handbook or see your ID card, wherever you are.  
**myuhc.com/CommunityPlan**  
**Health4Me®**

**MyHealthLine™:** Don't have a mobile phone? Call Member Services to learn more about Lifeline, a no-cost federal phone program.  
**1-800-587-5187, TTY 711**

**Text4baby:** Get FREE text messages on your cell phone each week to match your stage of pregnancy. Sign up by **texting the word BABY or BEBE to 511411**. Then enter the participant code HFS.

**Healthy First Steps®:** Get support throughout your pregnancy.  
**1-800-599-5985, TTY 711**

**Baby Blocks™:** Get rewards for timely prenatal and well-baby care.  
**UHCBabyBlocks.com**

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

# Getting the right care.

## Where to go for the care you need.

Choosing the right place to go when you are sick or hurt can help you be seen faster. It is important to choose a primary care provider (PCP). Make an appointment to see your PCP before you have an urgent need. If you have already been seen by a PCP, it may be easier to get an appointment for a routine visit or minor sickness when you need it.

### When can your PCP treat you?

For most illnesses and injuries, your PCP's office should be the first place you call when you need care. You might get an appointment for later that day. You may be given advice for self-care. Your PCP could call in a prescription to your pharmacy. You can even call at night or on weekends.

### When should you go to urgent care?

If you cannot get in to see your PCP, you can go to an urgent care center. Urgent care centers take walk-in patients. They treat many kinds of illnesses and injuries. They can perform some kinds of diagnostic tests. Many urgent care centers are open at night and on weekends.

### When should you go to a hospital emergency room?

Emergency rooms are for major medical emergencies only. Go there only when you think your illness or injury could result in death or disability if not treated right away. If you go for a minor problem, you may need to wait a long time.

**Need help?** Call Member Services toll-free at **1-800-587-5187, TTY 711**. Need to find a provider? Visit our member website at **myuhc.com/CommunityPlan** or use the **Health4Me** app.





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 the toll-free member phone number listed on your health plan member ID card, TTY 711, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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 or large print. Or, you can ask for an interpreter. To ask for help, please call the toll-free member phone number listed on your health plan member ID card, TTY 711, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

ATTENTION: Language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. Call 1-800-587-5187, TTY 711.

**Spanish**

ATENCIÓN: Los servicios de asistencia de idiomas están a su disposición sin cargo. Llame al 1-800-587-5187, TTY 711.

**Portuguese**

ATENÇÃO: Encontram-se disponíveis serviços de assistência de idioma. Contacte 1-800-587-5187, TTY 711.

**Chinese**

注意：我們提供免費的語言協助服務。請致電 1-800-587-5187 或聽障專線 (TTY) 711。

**French Creole (Haitian Creole)**

ATANSYON: Gen sèvis èd pou lang, gratis, ki disponib pou ou. Rele 1-800-587-5187, TTY 711.

**Mon-Khmer, Cambodian**

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**French**

ATTENTION : vous pouvez profiter d'une assistance linguistique sans frais en appelant le 1-800-587-5187, TTY 711.

**Italian**

ATTENZIONE: È disponibile un servizio gratuito di assistenza linguistica. Chiamare il numero 1-800-587-5187, TTY 711.

**Laotian**

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**Arabic**

تنبيه: تتوفر لك خدمات المساعدة اللغوية مجانًا. اتصل على الرقم 1-800-587-5187، الهاتف النصي: 711.

**Russian**

ВНИМАНИЕ! Языковые услуги предоставляются вам бесплатно. Звоните по телефону 1-800-587-5187, TTY 711.

**Vietnamese**

LƯU Ý: Dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ, miễn phí, dành cho bạn. Hãy gọi 1-800-587-5187, TTY 711.

**Kru (Bassa)**

TÒ ĐUỖ NÒMÒ DYÍIN CÁO: À bédé gbo-kpá-kpá bó wuḍu-dù kò-kò po-nyò bě bìì nḡ à gbo bó pídyi. M̄ dyi gbo-kpá-kpá m̄wín, ḍá nòbà nìà ke: 1-800-587-5187, TTY 711.

**Igbo**

NRỤBAMA: Ọrụ enyemaka asụsụ, n'efu, dijịrị gị. Kpọọ 1-800-587-5187, TTY 711.

**Yoruba**

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**Polish**

UWAGA: Zapewniamy bezpłatne wsparcie tłumaczeniowe. Prosimy o kontakt telefoniczny: 1-800-587-5187, TTY 711.