



# HealthTALK

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 **UnitedHealthcare**<sup>®</sup>  
Community Plan

## What do you think?

In a few weeks, you may get a survey in the mail. It asks how happy you are with UnitedHealthcare Community Plan. If you get a survey, please fill it out and mail it back. Your answers will be private. Your opinion helps us make the health plan better.

## Expect rewards.

Join Baby Blocks<sup>™</sup>.

Are you expecting a baby? Join Baby Blocks<sup>™</sup>. The program helps keep both you and your baby healthy throughout your pregnancy and during your baby's first 15 months of life. You will get email and text reminders about upcoming health care visits. You also get helpful health information at each stage of pregnancy and new parenthood.

When you join Baby Blocks, you also get rewards. You can earn up to 8 gifts for going to important prenatal, well-baby and postpartum visits. Rewards range from health items, to toys and books, to gift cards.



**Join today.** Visit [UHCBabyBlocks.com](https://www.uhc.com/babyblocks) to sign up for the Baby Blocks rewards program.

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# 10 facts about depression.

Things to know when you're feeling down.

- 1. Depression affects your thinking.** If you have thoughts of suicide, please call someone right away. You can call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at **1-800-273-TALK (8255)** or the National Hopeline Network phone at **1-800-SUICIDE (1-800-784-2433)**.
- 2. Depression makes it hard to give.** It's hard to think of other people when you're depressed.
- 3. Depression is often experienced as anxiety.** Make sure you get a correct diagnosis. This will help you get the best treatment for you.
- 4. Ongoing irritability can be a symptom of depression.**
- 5. Chronic pain can be another symptom of depression.** At the same time, being in continual discomfort can cause you to become depressed.
- 6. Alcohol is a depressant.** So are marijuana and many other recreational or street drugs. Using these substances could make you feel worse in the long run.
- 7. People don't choose to be depressed.** But they do make a choice about how to deal with it. Denying that you have a problem will not make you feel better.
- 8. Depression can be as hard on your loved ones as it is on you.** Those closest to you may start to feel unloved. Try to show your love in small ways you can manage.
- 9. Exercise is the easiest and least expensive cure for depression.** Walking just 30 minutes a day can help.
- 10. Sometimes talk therapy can work wonders.** Think about seeking counseling.



More information, tools and resources for depression can be found at the Live and Work Well website. To access Live and Work Well:

- Go to **LiveandWorkWell.com**.
- If you do not know your access code, click on “I don't know my access code.”
- Select your health plan in the list of UnitedHealthcare Community Plan options.
- Click on “Enter.”
- Go to the “Mind and Body” drop down.
- Select “Mental Health.”
- Scroll down to select your topic. Topics include depression as well as other mental health conditions.



**Get help.** To learn more about your behavioral health benefits, call Member Services toll-free at **1-866-292-0359**, TTY 711.


# Under control.

## Tests for people with diabetes.

If you have diabetes, it is important to make your health a priority. It takes constant, careful monitoring to keep diabetes under control. Regular testing helps you see how you're doing. Have you gotten these tests recently?

- **A1c blood test.** This lab test shows how well your blood sugar has been controlled over the last few months. Get this test 2 to 4 times per year.
- **Heart disease.** Controlling your cholesterol and blood pressure can protect your heart. Get your cholesterol checked once a year or when your doctor says you should. It's important to keep your blood pressure below 130/80. Get your blood pressure checked at every visit.
- **Kidney function.** Diabetes can damage your kidneys. A urine test and a blood test can check to make sure yours are working right. Get tested once a year.
- **Dilated eye exam.** High blood sugar can cause blindness. In this test, eye drops make your pupils bigger so your retina can be checked. It helps find problems before you notice them. Get this test once a year.
- **Foot exam.** Get your feet examined once a year to check for wounds and nerve damage.



 **We make it easy.** If you need help making an appointment or getting to the doctor, call Member Services toll-free at **1-866-292-0359, TTY 711.** Or use the UnitedHealthcare **Health4Me®** app.


## Ask Dr. Health E. Hound.®

### Q: Why does my child need to be tested for lead?

**A:** Lead is often found in plumbing or paint in older homes. It can also be found in painted toys made outside of the United States. Because babies and toddlers often put their hands and toys in their mouths, they can swallow lead. They can also inhale it.

When lead gets into the body, it can end up in the blood, bones or organs. Too much lead in a child's body leads to lead poisoning. It can result in slow growth or developmental problems.

Many children with lead poisoning don't have symptoms. That's why testing is important. Experts recommend testing at ages 1 and 2. Lead testing is part of a checkup at these ages. The test is done using a few drops of blood.

 **Learn about lead.** Read all about lead poisoning and other kids' health topics. Visit **KidsHealth.org**. Does your child need to be tested? Ask his or her doctor.







## Resource corner.

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

**1-866-292-0359, 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 24/7 health advice from a nurse (toll-free).

**1-866-351-6827, TTY 711**

**Text4baby:** 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<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)**



## Take charge.

See your PCP for your annual well visit.

Checkups aren't just for kids. They can help adults stay healthy, too. See your primary care provider (PCP) once a year for a well visit. You will get any tests or shots you need. Your PCP can look for problems that often don't have symptoms.

Get off to a good start this year by scheduling an appointment with your PCP. Preparing for your PCP visit can help you get the most out of it. 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 PCP 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 PCP about other doctors you may be seeing. Mention any medications or treatments they have prescribed for you. Bring copies of any reports and test results.
4. Write down your symptoms. Tell your doctor how you feel. Mention any new symptoms and when they started.
5. Bring someone for support. He or she can help you remember and write down information.



**Need a doc?** We can help. Call Member Services toll-free at **1-866-292-3059, TTY 711**. Or visit our member website at **[myuhc.com/CommunityPlan](http://myuhc.com/CommunityPlan)** or use the **Health4Me** app.

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

If you think you were not treated fairly due to race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, you can file a grievance. File it with:

Civil Rights Coordinator  
UnitedHealthcare Civil Rights Grievance  
P.O. Box 30608  
Salt Lake City, UTAH 84130  
**UHC\_Civil\_Rights@uhc.com**  
**1-866-292-0359, TTY 711**

You may file on the phone, in person or in writing.

If you need help with your grievance, call **1-866-292-0359, TTY 711**. Hours are Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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

**Online:**

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

Get complaint forms 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 communication help at no cost for people with disabilities. This includes materials with large print. It includes audio, electronic and other formats. We also provide American sign language interpreters. If English is not your main language, you may ask for an interpreter. We also provide materials in other languages. To ask for help, call **1-866-292-0359, TTY 711**. Hours are Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ATTENTION: If you do not speak English, language assistance services, at no cost to you, are available. Call **1-866-292-0359, TTY 711.**

### **Spanish**

ATENCIÓN: si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al **1-866-292-0359, TTY 711.**

### **Traditional Chinese**

注意：如果您使用繁體中文，您可以免費獲得語言援助服務。請致電 **1-866-292-0359**，**TTY 711**。

### **Vietnamese**

LƯU Ý: Nếu quý vị nói Tiếng Việt, chúng tôi có các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí. Vui lòng gọi số **1-866-292-0359, TTY 711.**

### **Serbo- Croatian**

OBAVJEŠTENJE: Ako govorite srpsko-hrvatski, usluge jezičke pomoći dostupne su besplatno. Nazovite **1-866-292-0359, TTY 711.**

### **German**

HINWEIS: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen kostenlose Sprachendienste zur Verfügung. Wählen Sie: **1-866-292-0359, TTY 711.**

### **Arabic**

تنبيه: إذا كنت تتحدث العربية، تتوفر خدمات المساعدة اللغوية مجاناً. اتصل على الرقم **1-866-292-0359**، الهاتف النصي **711**.

## **Korean**

참고: 한국어를 하시는 경우, 통역 서비스를 비용 부담 없이 이용하실 수 있습니다. **1-866-292-0359, TTY 711**로 전화하십시오.

## **Russian**

ВНИМАНИЕ: Если вы говорите по-русски, вы можете воспользоваться услугами переводчика, без каких-либо затрат. Звоните по тел **1-866-292-0359, TTY 711**.

## **French**

ATTENTION : Si vous parlez français, vous pouvez obtenir une assistance linguistique sans aucun frais. Appelez le **1-866-292-0359, TTY 711**.

## **Tagalog**

ATENSYON: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, may magagamit na serbisyo ng pantulong sa wika, nang wala kang gagastusin. Tumawag sa **1-866-292-0359, TTY 711**.

## **Pennsylvania Dutch**

WICHTIG: Wann du Deitsch (Pennsylvania Dutch) schwetze duscht, kannscht du ebber griege fer helfe mit Englisch unni as es dich ennich ebbes koschte zellt. Ruf **1-866-292-0359, TTY 711** aa.

## **Farsi**

توجه: اگر به زبان فارسی صحبت می کنید، خدمات ترجمه زبان به صورت رایگان به شما ارائه خواهد شد. لطفاً با شماره تلفن **1-866-292-0359, TTY 711** تماس بگیرید.

## **Oromo**

XIYYEEFFANNAA: Afaan dubbattu Oroomiffa yoo ta'e, tajaajilli gargaarsa afaanii baasii kee malee, ni argama. Bilbilaa **1-866-292-0359, TTY 711.**

## **Portuguese**

ATENÇÃO: Se fala português, encontram-se disponíveis serviços linguísticos, sem custo nenhum. Ligue para **1-866-292-0359, TTY 711.**

## **Amharic**

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