



# Health Talk



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## Your opinion matters

Beginning in March, you may be asked to complete a survey by mail or phone. We want to know how happy you are with UnitedHealthcare Community Plan. If you get a survey, please respond. Your opinion helps us make the health plan better. Your answers will be private.

## Exercise ideas

### Stay active this winter

We all know exercise is important, but not everyone has the time or money to go to the gym. For a good workout at home, try these simple exercises:

- Classic exercises, such as sit-ups, push-ups, lunges, squats and climbers
- Low-impact weightlifting — if you don't have weights, use everyday objects that are comfortable for you to lift
- Yoga — all you need is a soft mat to sit and lie on



**Try an easy at-home workout.**  
Learn some simple yoga moves at [healthtalkyoga.myuhc.com](https://healthtalkyoga.myuhc.com).

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**Healthy mind,  
healthy body**

## Is your phone use healthy?

Being too tied to your phone is a common problem for Americans. A 2021 study found that the average American home has 25 connected devices. While these devices can be useful and fun, they can also demand a lot of your time.

The use of your phone can be similar to an addiction or other compulsive behavior. It can release the same feel-good chemicals in your brain as food or drugs. Here are some behaviors to look out for:

- Waking up at night to check your phone
- Immediately checking your phone when alone or bored
- Feeling anxious or upset when you can't access your phone
- Seeing that others are concerned about your phone use
- Having it affect your job or relationships

If any of these behaviors describes you, try to reduce the amount of time spent on your phone. Turn off notifications so you aren't as tempted. Keep your phone in a separate room while it charges. When you spend less time on your phone, you can spend more quality time with your family and friends.

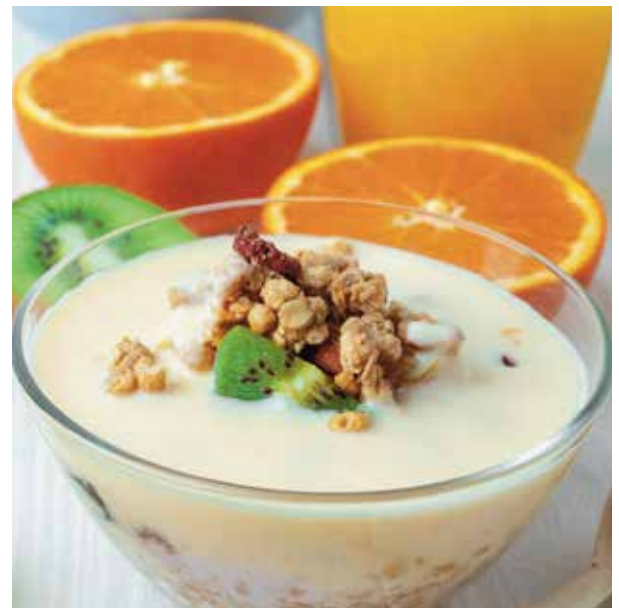
# Smile

## The foods you eat can be good for your teeth

Taking care of your teeth is important. Certain vitamins and minerals — like calcium, vitamin C and vitamin A — are good for your teeth. Here are some foods to incorporate into your diet to help keep your teeth strong and healthy:

- Beans
- Canned tuna
- Cheese
- Cherries
- Dark leafy greens
- Grapefruit
- Lemon
- Nuts
- Oranges
- Salmon
- Seeds
- Yogurt

In addition to eating healthy, it's important to get preventive dental care. Regular checkups with a dentist will help keep your teeth and gums healthy, which can help you look and feel better.



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**Learn more.** To learn more about the dental benefits your health plan offers, call Member Services toll-free at the phone number listed in the resource corner on page 4 of this newsletter.

# Quitting time

By quitting smoking, you can feel better and improve your overall health. You can also save money for things that matter.

Quitting is not always easy, but resources are available to help. Types of support that make quitting easier include:

- Getting advice from a provider
- Talking to a counselor
- Following an action plan
- Using nicotine replacement products

Visit [myuhc.com/communityplan](https://myuhc.com/communityplan) for information on your smoking cessation benefits. You can also get support from Quit for Life® at [quitnow.net](https://quitnow.net) or **1-866-784-8454**, TTY **711**.



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# Checking in

## Questions to ask at your annual wellness visit

Is it time to schedule your annual wellness visit? It's important to check in with your provider and get recommended preventive care every year.

Asking questions can help you get the most out of your visit. Here are some questions you may want to ask your provider:

- Which vaccines do I need? When should I get a flu shot? When should I get the COVID-19 vaccine?
- Which screenings or medical tests do I need?
- Does my family history raise my risk for any health problems?
- What are some steps you think I should take to stay healthy?
- How should I contact you if I have any questions after this visit?



### Time for a checkup.

Need to find a new provider? We can help.

Visit [myuhc.com/communityplan](https://myuhc.com/communityplan) and search the provider directory.

## Did you know?

Annual care checklists to help you prepare for your visit are available:

[adultwellnessvisit.myuhc.com](https://adultwellnessvisit.myuhc.com)

[childwellnessvisit.myuhc.com](https://childwellnessvisit.myuhc.com)

The COVID-19 vaccine is safe and effective for most people ages 5 and older. It is available at your local pharmacy, provider's office, vaccine clinics and pop-up events. We can help you make an appointment or find a location that is close to you. Call Member Services toll-free at the phone number listed in the resource corner on page 4 of this newsletter.



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# Have a healthy pregnancy

## Tips for expectant mothers

If you are pregnant, it's important to take care of yourself to keep both you and your baby healthy. Here are 4 tips for expectant mothers.

- 1. Keep all prenatal appointments with your provider.** Start seeing your provider as soon as you suspect you are pregnant and then once a month during weeks 4 to 28 of your pregnancy. Then go every 2 weeks from weeks 28 to 36. For the last month, see your provider every week.
- 2. Take prenatal vitamins.** They help your baby grow healthy and strong. Read the label and make sure your prenatal vitamin has folic acid, iron, calcium and a B vitamin in it.
- 3. Keep moving.** Exercise is always important, but it's especially so during pregnancy. It can help lower stress, strengthen muscles and reduce fatigue. Daily walks are an easy way to keep moving.
- 4. Connect with available resources to support your pregnancy.** Sign up for our Healthy First Steps® program today to start earning rewards for having a healthy pregnancy. Visit [uhhealthyfirststeps.com](https://uhhealthyfirststeps.com) to enroll after your first provider appointment. Or call **1-800-599-5985**, TTY **711**, for more information.

## Resource corner

**Member Services:** Find a provider, ask benefit questions or get help scheduling an appointment, in any language (toll-free).

**1-866-675-1607, TTY 711**

**Our website:** Find a provider, view your benefits or see your member ID card, wherever you are.

**[myuhc.com/communityplan](https://myuhc.com/communityplan)**

**NurseLine:** Get health advice from a nurse 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (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](https://quitnow.net)**

**Healthy First Steps®:** Get support throughout your pregnancy. Get rewards for timely prenatal and well-baby care (toll-free).

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

**[uhhealthyfirststeps.com](https://uhhealthyfirststeps.com)**

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

**[liveandworkwell.com](https://liveandworkwell.com)**



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If you think you were treated unfairly because of your race, ethnicity, color, religion, marital status, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, national origin, veteran status, ancestry, health history, health status or need for health services, 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 Member Services at **1-866-675-1607**, TTY **711**, 7 a.m.–7 p.m., Monday–Friday.

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 Member Services at **1-866-675-1607**, TTY **711**, 7 a.m.–7 p.m., Monday–Friday.

## English

ATTENTION: If you do not speak English, language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. Call **1-866-675-1607, TTY 711.**

## Spanish

ATENCIÓN: si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al **1-866-675-1607, 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 **1-866-675-1607, 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 **1-866-675-1607**，或聽障專線 **TTY 711**。

## French

ATTENTION: Si vous parlez français, vous pouvez obtenir une assistance linguistique gratuite. Appelez le **1-866-675-1607, TTY 711.**

## Arabic

تنبيه: إذا كنت تتحدث العربية، تتوفر لك خدمات المساعدة اللغوية مجاناً. اتصل على الرقم **1-866-675-1607، الهاتف النصي 711.**

## Tagalog

ATENSYON: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, may magagamit kang mga serbisyo ng pantulong sa wika, nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa **1-866-675-1607, TTY 711.**

## German

HINWEIS: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlose Sprachendienste zur Verfügung. Wählen Sie: **1-866-675-1607, TTY 711.**

## Korean

참고: 한국어를 하시는 경우, 통역 서비스를 무료로 이용하실 수 있습니다. **1-866-675-1607, TTY 711** 로 전화하십시오.

## 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 **1-866-675-1607**、または **TTY 711**。

## Russian

ВНИМАНИЕ: Если вы говорите по-русски, вы можете воспользоваться бесплатными услугами переводчика. Звоните по тел **1-866-675-1607, TTY 711.**

## Portuguese

ATENÇÃO: Se fala português, é-lhe disponibilizado um serviço gratuito de assistência linguística.  
Ligue **1-866-675-1607, TTY 711.**

## Laotian

ເຊີນຊາບ: ຖ້າທ່ານເວົ້າພາສາລາວແມ່ນມີບໍລິການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອດ້ານພາສາໂດຍບໍ່ເສຍຄ່າໃຊ້ຈ່າຍໃຫ້ແກ່ທ່ານ.  
ໂທຫາ **1-866-675-1607, TTY 711.**

## Urdu

توجہ فرمائیں: اگر آپ اردو بولتے ہیں، تو آپ کے لیے زبانی اعانت کی خدمات، مفت دستیاب ہیں۔ کال کریں  
**TTY 711، 1-866-675-1607**

## Persian (Farsi)

توجه: اگر به زبان فارسی صحبت نمی‌کنید، خدمات ترجمه زبان به صورت رایگان به شما ارائه خواهد شد. با  
**TTY 711، 1-866-675-1607** تماس بگیرید.

## Thai

โปรดทราบ : หากท่านพูดภาษาไทย จะมีบริการให้ความช่วยเหลือด้านภาษาแก่ท่านฟรีโดยไม่มีค่าใช้จ่าย  
โทร **1-866-675-1607, TTY 711.**