

# Your 2024 guide to UCare Minnesota Senior Care Plus

(MSC+)



# **Quick reference**

#### **UCare Health Ride**

612-676-6830 or 1-800-864-2157 TTY 612-676-6810 or 1-800-688-2534 7 am – 8 pm, Monday – Friday

#### ucare.org/healthride

In case of a medical emergency: 911

# UCare Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Triage Line

For crisis support or ongoing help to manage a mental health or substance use condition.

612-676-6533 or 1-833-276-1185 TTY 1-800-688-2534 8 am – 5 pm, Monday – Friday ucare.org/mhsudtriage

## UCare Clinical Services Member Assistance

612-676-6622 or 1-877-903-0062 TTY 1-800-688-2534 8 am – 4:30 pm, Monday – Friday

## **UCare Dental Connection**

651-768-1415 or 1-855-648-1415 TTY 711 7 am – 7 pm, Monday – Friday ucare.org/dentalconnection

#### **UCare Mobile Dental Clinic**

1-866-451-1555 TTY 1-800-627-3529 8 am – 4:30 pm, Monday – Friday ucare.org/mdc

#### **Nurse Line**

1-800-942-7858 TTY 1-855 307-6976

## **Quit Smoking and Vaping Program**

1-855-260-9713 TTY 711 24 hours a day, seven days a week myquitforlife.com/ucare

## Senior LinkAge Line®

This is a state program that gets money from the Federal government to give free local health insurance counseling to people with Medicare in Minnesota.

1-800-333-2433 TTY 711

mn.gov/senior-linkage-line

# Not sure where to start?

Not sure where to start? Call UCare MSC+ Customer Service and they will help answer your questions. 612-676-3200 or 1-866-599-2490 TTY 612-676-6810 or 1-800-688-2534 8 am – 5 pm, Monday – Friday

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# Welcome to UCare!

We're very happy to have you as a UCare MSC+ member. This guide will help you learn how to use the benefits and features of your health plan. Read it carefully, keep it handy and refer to it often.

UCare MSC+ offers many opportunities for you to improve your health. We hope you'll take advantage of all the wellness benefits and programs that are yours with this plan.

Have questions? Reach out and let us know. We always welcome your thoughts, comments and questions. We're glad you are here. Now let's get started!

# Everything you need to know to start using your plan

#### Your secure online member account

Set up your secure online member account at member.ucare.org.

Once you're setup, you'll be able to:

- · See, print and order your member identification (ID) card
- See your UCare plan materials to find out what is covered
- Send and receive secure messages with customer service and a web nurse
- · View coverage updates and important health and wellness information
- Do a health assessment to understand your health
- Find wellness services, products and more

#### **Customer service**

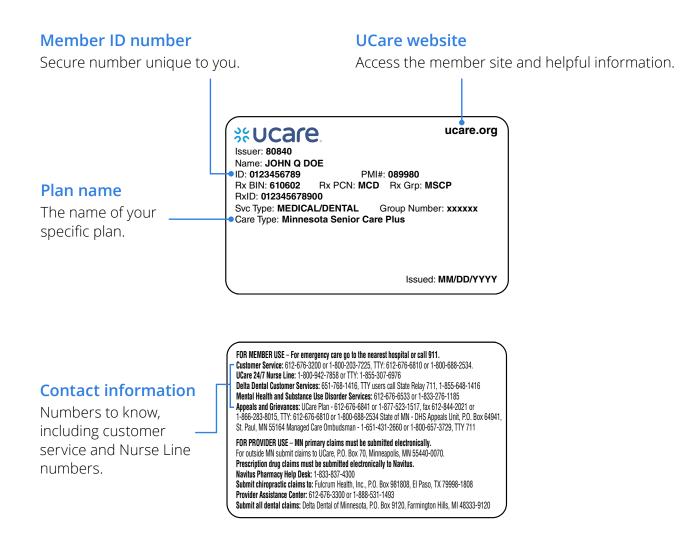
Call our customer service representatives for answers to your benefit and service questions.

612-676-3200 or 1-866-599-2490 TTY 612-676-6810 or 1-800-688-2534 8 am – 5 pm, Monday – Friday

Although we understand your family is concerned about you, we cannot release information to family members calling on your behalf, unless you are the parent/guardian and or have a signed Statement of Authorized Representation showing the family member(s) have your consent. Visit **ucare.org** or call customer service to learn more.

# Using your member ID card

Your member identification (ID) card is key to helping you get the care you need. This important tool helps health care providers understand your coverage.



# Tips for using your card

Check your new member ID card to make sure your information is correct. Here are a few other tips:

- · Always carry your card with you
- · Discard your old member ID card
- Provide your current health care providers and pharmacies with your new member ID card information
- Have your card handy whenever you call us
- If your card is lost, download or request a replacement through your online member account or call customer service

# **Understand your coverage**

# Get your member materials

It's important to know what's included in your health plan. Here are a few resources that can help:

- *Member Handbook* Gives you detailed information about what is covered by your plan, including your member rights and responsibilities
- *Provider and Pharmacy Directory* Lists the doctors, dentists, pharmacies, hospitals and chiropractors in our network, including details on specialty, languages spoken, ADA accessibility, new patient availability, medical school attended, residency completed and board certification status
- List of Covered Drugs (Formulary) Lists what drugs your plan covers

Here's how to get these important member materials:

Online: View or print the *Member Handbook, Provider and Pharmacy Directory* and *List of Covered Drugs* (*Formulary*) from **ucare.org/member-documents.** Or log into your online member account at **member.ucare.org.** 

Request printed materials two ways:

- 1. Online Log into your member account at **member.ucare.org** and send us a request
- 2. Phone Call customer service

# **Drug benefits**

# Check your drug coverage

Keep your costs low by making sure your prescription drugs are on the plan's drug list (also called a formulary). You can always check the drug list at **search.ucare.org.** Select "Drug List" from the menu at the top of the page and choose your specific plan from the "Pick your plan" menu. The drug list is updated monthly.

If you have a prescription for a drug that's NOT on the drug list, the price may be higher, so talk to your doctor about which drugs are covered and the prescriptions you need.

# Filling prescriptions

You can choose from three ways to fill your prescription:

- · Have your doctor send your prescription to a pharmacy in your plan network
- Take the written prescription to a pharmacy in your plan network
- Use Costco Mail Order Pharmacy

#### **Costco Mail Order Pharmacy**

Save time with free home delivery from Costco Mail Order Pharmacy and you don't need to be a Costco member to use this service. To learn more, visit **ucare.org/pbm**.

# Save more when you use a network pharmacy

Fill your prescriptions nationwide at one of our 63,000 network pharmacies and pay less for your drugs. To find a network pharmacy near you, use the search network tool at **search.ucare.org.** 

# Where to get care

Use this guide to ensure you get the right level of care at the right time.

## **Nurse Line**



Speak with a nurse, available 24/7, for:

- · Reliable health information
- Advice on what level of care is needed

Call 1-800-942-7858 (TTY 1-855 307-6976), 24 hours a day, seven days a week

# Primary care



The best choice for most of the care you need, like:

- Preventive (checkups, vaccines and immunizations)
- New symptoms or long-standing (chronic) conditions

## Online care

Available 24/7 for common conditions like:

- Acne
- Allergies
- · Cold, cough and flu
- · Pink eye
- Bug bites
- Ear pain

Online care is provided by:

- · virtuwell.com
- · cvs.com/minuteclinic
- · mhealthfairview.org/evisits

# **Urgent care**



Immediate but non-life-threatening care for things like:

- Back pain, migraines and headaches
- Broken bones, sprains and strains
- Minor burns, cuts, lacerations, rashes and infections
- Asthma, bronchitis and respiratory infections

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# Convenience care

Walk-in or virtual visits to convenience clinics, often in retail stores, grocery stores and pharmacies, for common injuries and illnesses like:

- Ear infections
- Sinus infection and congestion
- Vaccinations
- Strep throat
- Small blisters and cuts
- Urinary tract and bladder infections

# **Emergency care**



Go to the nearest emergency room or call 911 for life-threatening situations like:

- Heart attack symptoms (chest pain, shortness of breath or loss of consciousness)
- · Head trauma or sudden confusion
- Major burns, open wound fractures and heavy bleeding
- Stroke symptoms (slurred speech, sudden weakness, vision loss and dizziness)

# Searching through your coverage

# It's easy to find a doctor and your prescription drugs

Go to **search.ucare.org** to browse through the online directory. Use this online tool to find:



#### People

Doctors, specialists, chiropractors and other kinds of care



#### **Places**

Hospitals, clinics, home health care, hospice, urgent care and more



#### **Pharmacies**

Retail pharmacies in network



#### **Drug list**

Covered prescription drugs and restrictions

# Online search tool FAQs

## Why do I start by choosing a plan?

We want to make sure that members who use the tool are viewing only people, places and pharmacies that provide services for their plan.

# What if I don't know my plan?

There are three ways you can quickly get your plan name:

- Member ID card: The name of your specific plan is listed under "Care Type."
- Online member account: Sign in at **member.ucare.org.** Once you have logged into your secure online member account, click on the "My Policy" section on the dashboard. Your UCare health plan is listed under "Plan Name."
- · Customer service: Call us. We're always happy to help!

# When entering a location, do I need to select one of the options that appears in the resulting drop-down box?

Yes — this tool uses Google location technology. You'll get the best results by selecting one of the location options presented.



# Member programs and resources

# Transportation to covered services

UCare Health Ride provides no-cost transportation to and from covered medical, dental and pharmacy visits. Members can also get rides to the county or tribal office, or a MNsure Navigator agency. In case of emergency call 911.

Call the UCare Health Ride line at 1-800-864-2157 (TTY 1-800-688-2534), 7 am – 8 pm, Monday – Friday, or visit **ucare.org/healthride**.

## **Transportation options**



#### Public bus or light rail

For members who live on a participating bus or light rail line. Call to request passes 14 business days in advance. Monthly passes for qualifying members.



#### Taxi or volunteer driver

For members who do not live on a bus or rail line. Call Health Ride at least two days before your appointment to schedule.



#### Special transportation services

For members who cannot safely use a bus, cab or volunteer driver due to a mental health condition or physical impairment. Call Health Ride at least two days before your appointment to schedule.



#### Mileage reimbursement for driving yourself

If you have your own car, contact your county's department of human services to talk about reimbursement options.

#### Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder services

Mental health and substance use disorders are treatable health conditions. UCare staff are available to offer support and resources.

Support for members includes:

- Help during a crisis
- Referral to and consultation with mental health and substance use disorder case management and other services
- Connections to community resources
- Help to find in-network and specialty care mental health and substance use providers

Call the UCare Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Triage line at 612-676-6533 or 1-833-276-1185 (TTY 1-800-688-2534), 8 am – 5 pm, Monday – Friday.

# Disease management support

Members with certain health conditions can get help from our disease management programs. UCare offers health coaching services to members with a history of or are at risk for chronic conditions such as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, chronic kidney disease, diabetes, heart failure or migraine.

Call the UCare disease management line at 612-676-6539 or 1-866-863-8303 (TTY 612-676-6810 or 1-800-688-2534).

# **Keep Your Coverage program**

It's important to keep your Medicaid (Medical Assistance) eligibility in place so your UCare coverage continues without gaps in health care or services. To remain eligible for Medicaid, paperwork from your county must be completed and sent in on time. You may also need to report certain changes during the year, like if you move or get a new job.

Call the UCare Keep Your Coverage help line at 612-676-3438 or 1-855-307-6978 (TTY 612-676-6810), 8 am – 5 pm, Monday – Friday, or email KeepYourCoverage@ucare.org.

# **Quit Smoking and Vaping Program**

Learn how to stop smoking, vaping or chewing tobacco. UCare members can get help at no charge to quit through the tobacco and nicotine quit line. Nicotine patches, gum or lozenges are also available to eligible UCare members.

Get help to kick the habit from the comfort of your own home:

- Call the tobacco and nicotine quit line 1-855-260-9713 (TTY 711), available 24 hours a day, seven days a week
- Visit myquitforlife.com/ucare
- Download the Rally Coach Quit For Life mobile app

#### Care coordination

Your membership includes the services of a care coordinator to help you get the health care you need. Your care coordinator can help you arrange preventive care, find or change your doctor, make referrals for you and find wellness programs and other services.

To learn more, or if you have questions about what your care coordinator is, call Clinical Services Member Assistance at 612-676-6622 or 1-877-903-0062 (TTY 1-800-688-2534), 8 am – 4:30 pm, Monday – Friday.

# Care setting transitions

Changes in health and care needs can happen any time. If you need to move from one care setting (such as your home, hospital or nursing home) to another, we want to make sure you have everything you need for a successful experience.

Your care coordinator can help support you. This person will connect with you, your family and providers to review your discharge instructions. They also will assess your understanding of your drugs, make sure you know who to call with questions, and help you with follow-up appointments and other needs.

#### **Dental resources**

You'll find a list of covered dental benefits in your *Member Handbook*. These benefits include many diagnostic, preventive and restorative services.

#### **UCare Dental Connection**

UCare Dental Connection can help you:

- · Find a dental provider or dental home
- · Schedule dental appointments for general, follow-up and specialty care
- Coordinate rides and interpreter services for dental appointments
- Get answers to dental benefit and claim questions

Call the UCare Dental Connection line at 651-768-1415 or 1-855-648-1415 (TTY 612-676-6810 or 1-800-688-2534), 7 am – 7 pm, Monday – Friday, or visit **ucare.org/dentalconnection.** 

#### **UCare Mobile Dental Clinic**

UCare offers dental check-ups, cleanings and basic restorative care aboard the UCare Mobile Dental Clinic. Call to find out when the clinic will be near you or go to **ucare.org/mdc** for scheduled dates and locations.

Schedule your appointment by calling 1-866-451-1555 (TTY 1-800-627-3529), 8 am – 4:30 pm, Monday – Friday.



## Fitness and wellness benefits

#### **Vaccines**

Your plan covers flu, COVID-19 and pneumonia vaccines. Talk with your doctor or other health care provider to see if you need these or other shots.

#### Preventive health services

Your coverage includes many important preventive screenings to help you be well. They're offered at no cost to you. They include an annual physical exam, diabetes exams, cholesterol tests, mammograms and colon cancer screenings. We offer rewards for completing some important health care tests, exams or preventive care screenings. Visit **ucare.org/rewards** or call customer service to learn about earning rewards for taking care of yourself.

# Healthy Benefits+ Visa® card

Your UCare Healthy Benefits+ Visa card offers the flexibility and convenience of one card for:

- Grocery discounts
- Rewards and incentives

Your Healthy Benefits+ Visa card is reloadable each year and is valid until the expiration date or you're no longer a UCare member. Be sure to keep your card, as you won't be sent a new one each year. The card won't work if you're not a UCare member. Allowance amounts and expiration dates vary by program.

To learn more, register your card or check your card balance, visit **healthybenefitsplus.com/ucare** or call 1-833-862-8276 (TTY 711). This phone number is also on the back of your Healthy Benefits+ Visa card.

## Strong and Stable Kit

The Strong and Stable Kit provides tools to help you stay strong and prevent falls.

This kit includes:

- Resistance band strength kit
- Tip sheets with helpful falls prevention advice
- Tub grips to make your bathtub or shower safer
- · Nightlight to keep a bathroom or another area of your home well-lit at night
- Medication box to help take medications correctly

If you're interested in getting this kit or if you've experienced falls in your home or the community, contact your care coordinator or case manager to order the kit for you.\*

## Take a class, get a discount

Members get up to a \$15 discount on most community education classes in Minnesota. Check a local community education catalog or contact the local school district for class times and locations. To get your discount, simply show your UCare member ID card when enrolling in a class.

Your plan includes unlimited yearly discounts (one per class enrollment).

## **Grocery discounts**

You can save on healthy foods like milk, whole-grain bread, lean meat, eggs, yogurt, fruits, vegetables and more at participating grocery stores. Weekly discounts are pre-loaded onto your UCare Healthy Benefits+ Visa card. Simply scan your Healthy Benefits+ card when paying to access your discount.

To register your card and learn more, visit **healthybenefitsplus.com/ucare** or call 1-833-862-8276 (TTY 711).

<sup>\*</sup>Must be an eligible UCare member at the time of the order. Limit one kit per year per member. Kit contents may be subject to change. Please allow 4 – 6 weeks for delivery.

# Toll free 1-800-203-7225, TTY 1-800-688-2534

Attention. If you need free help interpreting this document, call the above number.

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## **Civil Rights Notice**

**Discrimination is against the law.** UCare does not discriminate on the basis of any of the following:

- race
- color
- national origin
- creed
- religion
- sexual orientation
- public assistance status
- age

- disability (including physical or mental impairment)
- sex (including sex stereotypes and gender identity)
- marital status
- political beliefs

- medical condition
- health status
- receipt of health care services
- claims experience
- medical history
- genetic information

**Auxiliary Aids and Services.** UCare provides auxiliary aids and services, like qualified interpreters or information in accessible formats, free of charge and in a timely manner, to ensure an equal opportunity to participate in our health care programs. **Contact** UCare at 612-676-3200 (voice) or 1-800-203-7225 (voice), 612-676-6810 (TTY), or 1-800-688-2534 (TTY).

Language Assistance Services. UCare provides translated documents and spoken language interpreting, free of charge and in a timely manner, when language assistance services are necessary to ensure limited English speakers have meaningful access to our information and services. Contact UCare at 612-676-3200 (voice) or 1-800-203-7225 (voice), 612-676-6810 (TTY), or 1-800-688-2534 (TTY).

# **Civil Rights Complaints**

You have the right to file a discrimination complaint if you believe you were treated in a discriminatory way by UCare. You may contact any of the following four agencies directly to file a discrimination complaint.

## U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Office for Civil Rights (OCR)

You have the right to file a complaint with the OCR, a federal agency, if you believe you have been discriminated against because of any of the following:

- race
- color
- national origin
- age

- disability
- sex
- religion (in some cases)

Contact the OCR directly to file a complaint:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services'

Office for Civil Rights

200 Independence Avenue SW

Room 515F

**HHH Building** 

Washington, DC 20201

Customer Response Center: Toll-free: 800-368-1019

TDD 800-537-7697 Email: ocrmail@hhs.gov

#### Minnesota Department of Human Rights (MDHR)

In Minnesota, you have the right to file a complaint with the MDHR if you believe you have been discriminated against because of any of the following:

race

• color

national origin

religion

creed

sex

sexual orientation

marital status

 public assistance status

disability

Contact the **MDHR** directly to file a complaint:

Minnesota Department of Human Rights

540 Fairview Avenue North

Suite 201

St. Paul, MN 55104

651-539-1100 (voice)

800-657-3704 (toll free)

711 or 800-627-3529 (MN Relay)

651-296-9042 (Fax)

Info.MDHR@state.mn.us (Email)

## Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS)

You have the right to file a complaint with DHS if you believe you have been discriminated against in our health care programs because of any of the following:

- race
- color
- national origin
- creed
- religion
- sexual orientation
- public assistance status
- age

- disability (including physical or mental impairment)
- sex (including sex stereotypes and gender identity)
- marital status
- political beliefs

- medical condition
- health status
- receipt of health care services
- claims experience
- medical history
- genetic information

Complaints must be in writing and filed within 180 days of the date you discovered the alleged discrimination. The complaint must contain your name and address and describe the discrimination you are complaining about. After we get your complaint, we will review it and notify you in writing about whether we have authority to investigate. If we do, we will investigate the complaint.

DHS will notify you in writing of the investigation's outcome. You have the right to appeal the outcome if you disagree with the decision. To appeal, you must send a written request to have DHS review the investigation outcome. Be brief and state why you disagree with the decision. Include additional information you think is important.

If you file a complaint in this way, the people who work for the agency named in the complaint cannot retaliate against you. This means they cannot punish you in any way for filing a complaint. Filing a complaint in this way does not stop you from seeking out other legal or administrative actions.

Contact DHS directly to file a discrimination complaint:

Civil Rights Coordinator
Minnesota Department of Human Services
Equal Opportunity and Access Division
P.O. Box 64997
St. Paul, MN 55164-0997
651-431-3040 (voice) or use your preferred relay service

#### **UCare Complaint Notice**

You have the right to file a complaint with UCare if you believe you have been discriminated against in our health care programs because of any of the following:

- medical condition
- health status
- receipt of health care services
- claims experience
- medical history
- genetic information
- disability (including mental or physical impairment)
- marital status
- age
- sex (including sex stereotypes and gender identity)
- sexual orientation
- national origin
- race
- color
- religion
- creed
- public assistance status
- political belief

You can file a complaint and ask for help in filing a complaint in person or by mail, phone, fax, or email at:

#### **UCare**

Attn: Appeals and Grievances

PO Box 52

Minneapolis, MN 55440-0052
Toll free: 1-800-203-7225
TTY: 1-800-688-2534
Fax: 612-884-2021
Email: cag@ucare.org



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