# Transition of care



#### What is transition of care?

A transition of care happens when you go from one care setting to another because your health needs have changed. One example might be going from your home to a hospital or a nursing home after a change in your health condition. Some transitions may be planned, like going into the hospital for elective surgery. You might also make the decision to enter a long-term care facility. Other transitions may be unplanned. Unplanned transitions might include hospitalization after a visit to a provider, urgent care or emergency room.

#### Why is transition help important?

As you move from one care setting to another, you want to be sure you have everything you need. Your health care needs may change after a transition of care. For example, you may need extra help with medications, medical equipment, supplies or care at home.

### What can I expect from my care coordinator during a transition?

Your care coordinator is here for you when your health needs change or you are hospitalized. Care coordinators may be notified of your transitions as part of your care.

You can expect help with:

- · Finding services and support to help you go back home or stay home
- Talking with your family and care providers about changes to your plan of care
- Arranging transportation to medical appointments
- Connecting to referrals for home- and community-based services
- Improving your health and staying healthy

## What can I do to minimize unplanned transitions of care?

Healthy habits may help prevent an unplanned transition of care. Remember to see your provider for annual wellness exams as well as routine medical appointments.

Call your care coordinator if you:

- Have a planned or unplanned transition of care
- · Are experiencing increased health problems
- Have a significant change in your health condition

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	UCare Care Coordinator's name	Phone number

**The Nurse Line** also gives you access to medical and health information 24 hours a day, seven days a week at no additional cost to you as a member. A call to the Nurse Line may help prevent a medical emergency or unplanned transition of care.

Call the Nurse Line toll-free 1-800-942-7858 or TTY users call 1-855-307-6976.



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**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

You have the right to file a discrimination complaint if you believe you were treated in a discriminatory way by UCare. You can file a complaint and ask for help 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

**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).

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# **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 also contact any of the following 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

age

religion (in some cases)

color

disability

national origin

sex

Contact the OCR directly to file a complaint:

Office for Civil Rights

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Midwest Region

233 N. Michigan Avenue, Suite 240

Chicago, IL 60601

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

TDD Toll-free: 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 have been discriminated against because of any of the following:

race

creed

 public assistance status

color

sex

national origin

sexual orientation

disability

religion

marital status

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
- religion (in some cases)
- age
- disability (including physical or mental impairment)
- sex (including sex stereotypes and gender identity)

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. 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 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