Community Health Plan
OF IMPERIAL VALLEY

Get Comfort and Support!

LEARN ABOUT YOUR NEW HEALTH PLAN AND BENEFITS

Care Connections

A serious progressive illness is an ailment that carries a high risk of mortality. It also limits quality of life and daily function, and/or presents large burdens in symptoms, treatments or caregiver stress. Care Connections is a FREE program that can help you manage the symptoms and stress of a serious progressive illness. We work with you, your family and your current doctors to provide comfort and support as part of your treatment plan.

If you're facing a serious progressive illness, Care Connections can help improve your daily life. Best of all, there are no extra costs!

Your care team may include:

- Your doctors
- Nurses
- Care managers
- Pharmacists
- Therapists
- Social workers
- Spiritual advisor
- Dietitians

How will this help?

Care Connections is an extra layer of support for you and your family. We work closely with your doctors to help you:

- Manage your pain.
- Manage your symptoms of pain, stomach upset, vomiting, anxiety, or constipation.
- Manage sleeping and breathing problems.
- Create an advance care plan.
- Get answers to your questions.

Is this right for me?

✔ **Yes,** if you want help with the pain, stress or other symptoms that are common with a serious progressive illness.

✔ **Yes,** if you and your family members want help making choices about your care.

✔ **Yes,** if you and your family members need extra support.

✔ **Yes, if you are facing:**

- A serious progressive illness.
- Many hospital stays or emergency room (ER) visits.
- Poor social support.

Serious progressive ailments may include:

- Cancer
- COPD
- Heart disease / heart failure
- End stage liver disease
- End stage renal disease
- AIDS

How does Care Connections differ from hospice care?

Care connections:

- Offered for any stage of serious progressive illness.
- You may receive curative treatments for your serious progressive illness.
- Does not require that you be in the last six months of life.
- Does not require that a doctor certify the prognosis.

Hospice care:

- Offered when disease-focused treatment has stopped (focus is on comfort and quality of life rather than curative treatment).
- You will not receive disease-focused treatments for your serious progressive illness.
- You must be in the last six months of life.
- Prognosis must be certified by your doctor.

Care Connections is available to you at no cost. Ask your doctor if a referral to the program is right for you (Community Health Plan of Imperial Valley approval is required). You can also call us at **916-935-2273** (call **711** for assistance for the hearing and speech impaired) Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m., to see how we can provide comfort and support. (Normal calling charges may apply.)

If you have questions about the Care Connections Program, you can:

- Call Member Services toll free at **833-236-4141 (TTY: 711)** 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

NONDISCRIMINATION NOTICE

Discrimination is against the law. Community Health Plan of Imperial Valley complies with applicable State and Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate, exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, mental disability, physical disability, sex (including pregnancy, sexual orientation, and gender identity), religion, ancestry, ethnic group identification, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, or gender.

Community Health Plan of Imperial Valley:

- Provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:
  - Qualified sign language interpreters
  - Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, and other formats)
- Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as:
  - Qualified interpreters
  - Information written in other languages

If you need these services, contact the Community Health Plan of Imperial Valley (CHPIV) at 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Upon request, this document can be made available to you in braille, large print, audiocassette, or electronic form. To obtain a copy in one of these alternative formats, please call or write to:
Community Health Plan of Imperial Valley (CHPIV)
Health Equity Department
P.O. Box 9103
Van Nuys, CA 91410-9103
1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711)

HOW TO FILE A GRIEVANCE

If you believe that Community Health Plan of Imperial Valley has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, or sex (including pregnancy, sexual orientation, and gender identity), mental disability, physical disability, religion, ancestry, ethnic group identification, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, or gender you can file a grievance with CHPIV 1557 Coordinator. You can file a grievance by phone, in writing, in person, or electronically:

- By phone: Contact CHPIV 1557 Coordinator between 8:00 am and 8:00 pm (EST), Monday through Friday by calling 1-855-577-8234 (TTY: 711).
- In writing: Fill out a complaint form or write a letter and send it to:
- 1557 Coordinator, PO Box 31384, Tampa, FL 33631
- In person: Visit your doctor's office or CHPIV and say you want to file a grievance.
- Electronically: Visit CHPIV's website at https://chpiv.org.

OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS – CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the California Department of Health Care Services, Office of Civil Rights by phone, in writing or electronically:

- By phone: Call 916-440-7370. If you cannot speak or hear well, please call 711 (Telecommunications Relay Service).
- In writing: Fill out a complaint form or send a letter to:

Deputy Director, Office of Civil Rights Department of Health Care Services Office of Civil Rights
P.O. Box 997413, MS 0009
Sacramento, CA 95899-7413

Complaint forms are available at http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/Pages/Language_Access.aspx.

- Electronically: Send an email to CivilRights@dhcs.ca.gov.

OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS – U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

If you believe you have been discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origina, age, disability or sex, you can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, by phone, in writing, or electronically:

- By phone: Call 1-800-368-1019. If you cannot speak or hear well, please call TTY/TDD 1-800-537-7697.

- In writing: Fill out a complaint form or send a letter to:

  U.S. Department of Health and Human Services 200 Independence Avenue, SW
  Room 509F, HHH Building Washington, D.C. 20201

  Complaint forms are available at http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html.

- Electronically: Visit the Office of Civil Rights Complaint Portal at https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf.

Notice of Availability of Language Assistance Services and Auxiliary Aids and Services

English

If you, or someone you are helping, need language services, call 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711). Aids and services for people with disabilities, like documents in braille and large print, are also available. These services are at no cost to you.

Arabic

إذا كنت أنت أو أي شخص تقوم بمساعدته، بحاجة إلى الخدمات اللغوية، فاتصل بالرقم 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711) تتوفر أيضاً المساعدات والخدمات للأشخاص ذوي الإعاقة، مثل المستندات المكتوبة بطريقة برايل وبطباعة كبيرة. تتوفر هذه الخدمات بدون تكلفة بالنسبة لك.

Armenian

Եթե դուք կամ որևէ մեկը, ում դուք օգնում եք, ունեն լեզվական օգնության կարիք, զանգահարեք 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711)։ Հաշմանդամություն ունեցող մարդկանց համար հասանելի են օգնություն և ծառայություններ, ինչպես օրինակ՝ փաստաթղթեր բրայլով կամ խոշոր տպագրությամբ: Այս ծառայությունները ձեզ համար անվճար են:

Cambodian

ប្រសិនបើអ្នក ឬនរណាម្នាក់ដែលអ្នកកំពុងជួយ ត្រូវការសេវាផ្នែកភាសា សូមទូរសព្ទទៅលេខ 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711)។ ជំនួយ និងសេវាកម្មផ្សេងៗសម្រាប់អ្នកដែលពិការ ដូចជាឯកសារជាអក្សរស្ទាប និងជាអក្សរខ្នាតធំក៏មានផ្តល់ជូនផងដែរ។ សេវាកម្មទាំងនេះត្រូវបានផ្តល់ជូនអ្នកដោយមិនគិតថ្លៃ។

Chinese (Simplified)

如果您或者您正在帮助的人需要语言服务，请致电 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711)。还可提供面向残障人士的帮助和服务，例如盲文和大字版文档。这些服务免费为您提供。

Chinese (Traditional)

如果您或您正在幫助的其他人需要語言服務，請致電 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711)。另外，還為殘疾人士提供輔助和服務，例如盲文和大字版文件。這些服務對您免費提供。

Farsi

اگر شما یا هر فرد دیگری که به او کمک می‌کنید نیاز به خدمات زبانی دارد، با شمارهٔ 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711) تماس بگیرید. کمک‌ها و خدماتی مانند مدارک با خط بریل و چاپ درشت نیز برای معلولان قابل عرضه است. این خدمات هزینه‌ای برای شما نخواهد داشت.

Hindi

यदि आपको, या जिसकी आप मदद कर रहे हैं उसे, भाषा सेवाएँ चाहिए, तो कॉल करें 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711)। विकलांग लोगों के लिए सहायता और सेवाएं, जैसे 'ब्रेल' लिपि और बड़े प्रिंट में दस्तावेज़, भी उपलब्ध हैं। ये सेवाएँ आपके लिए मुफ़्त उपलब्ध हैं।

Hmong
Yog hais tias koj, los sis ib tus neeg twg uas koj tab tom pab nws, xav tau cov kev pab cuam txhais lus, hu rau 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711). Tsis tas li ntawd, peb kuj tseem muaj cov khoom siv pab thiab cov kev pab cuam rau cov neeg xiam oob qhab tib si, xws li cov ntaub ntawv uas tuaj yeem nkag cuag tau yooj yim thiab cov ntaub ntawv luam tawm uas pom tus niam ntawv loj. Cov kev pab cuam no yog muaj pab yam tsis xam nqi dab tsi rau koj them li.

Japanese
ご自身またはご自身がサポートしている方が言語サービスを必要とする場合は、1-833-236-4141（TTY: 711）。までお問い合わせください。障がいをお持ちの方のために、点字や大活字の文書などの補助・サービスも提供しています。これらのサービスは無料で提供されています。

Korean
귀하 또는 귀하가 도와주고 있는 분이 언어 서비스가 필요하시면 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711) 번으로 연락해 주십시오. 장애가 있는 분들에게 보조 자료 및 서비스(예: 점자 및 대형 활자 인쇄본)도 제공됩니다. 이 서비스는 무료로 이용하실 수 있습니다.

Laotian
ຖ້າທ່ານ, ຫຼື ບຸກຄົນໃດໜຶ່ງທີ່ທ່ານກຳລັງຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອ, ຕ້ອງການບໍລິການແປພາສາ, ໂທ 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711) ນອກນັ້ນ, ພວກເຮົາຍັງມີອຸປະກອນຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອ ແລະ ການບໍລິການສຳລັບຄົນພິການອີກດ້ວຍ, ເຊັ່ນ ເອກະສານເປັນຕົວອັກສອນນູນ ແລະ ພິມຂະໜາດໃຫຍ່. ການບໍລິການເຫຼົ່ານີ້ແມ່ນມີໄວ້ຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອທ່ານໂດຍບໍ່ໄດ້ເສຍຄ່າໃດໆ.

Mien
Beiv hnangv meih ganh a’fai meih tengx ga’hlen mienh, se gorngv qiemx zuqc longc tengx porv waac bun muangx, mborqv finx lorz 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711). Mbenc duqv maaih jaa-dorngx aengx caux gong tengx waaic fangx mienh, beiv zoux sou benx nzangc-pokc bun hluo aengx caux domh nzangc. Naaiv deix gong-bou jauv-louc mv zuqc heuc meih ndortv nyaanh cingv.

Punjabi
ਜੇ ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਜਾਂ ਜਿਸ ਦੀ ਤੁਸੀਂ ਮਦਦ ਕਰ ਰਹੇ ਹੋ, ਨੂੰ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਸੇਵਾਵਾਂ ਦੀ ਜ਼ਰੂਰਤ ਹੈ, ਤਾਂ 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711) 'ਤੇ ਕਾਲ ਕਰੋ। ਅਪਾਹਜ ਲੋਕਾਂ ਲਈ ਸਹਾਇਤਾ ਅਤੇ ਸੇਵਾਵਾਂ ਜਿਵੇਂ ਕਿ ਬ੍ਰੇਲ ਵਿੱਚ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ਼ ਅਤੇ ਵੱਡੇ ਪ੍ਰਿੰਟ ਵੀ ਉਪਲਬਧ ਹਨ। ਇਹ ਸੇਵਾਵਾਂ ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਲਈ ਮੁਫਤ ਹਨ।

Russian
Если вам или человеку, которому вы помогаете, необходимы услуги перевода, звоните по телефону 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711). Кроме того, мы предоставляем материалы и услуги для людей с ограниченными возможностями, например документы, выполненные шрифтом Брайля или крупным шрифтом. Эти услуги предоставляются бесплатно.

Spanish
Si usted o la persona a quien ayuda necesita servicios de idiomas, comuníquese al 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711). También hay herramientas y servicios disponibles para personas con discapacidad, como documentos en braille y en letra grande. Estos servicios no tienen ningún costo para usted.

Tagalog
Kung ikaw o ang taong tinutulungan mo ay kailangan ng mga serbisyo sa wika, tumawag sa 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711). Makakakuha rin ng mga tulong at serbisyo para sa mga taong may mga kapansanan, tulad ng mga dokumentong nasa braille at mga malaking print. Wala kang babayaran para sa mga serbisyong ito.

Thai
หากคุณหรือคนที่คุณช่วยเหลือ ต้องการบริการด้านภาษา โทร 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711) นอกจากนี้ยังมีความช่วยเหลือและบริการสำหรับผู้ทุพพลภาพ เช่น เอกสารในรูปแบบอักษรเบรลล์และตัวพิมพ์ขนาดใหญ่ บริการเหล่านี้ ไม่มีค่าใช้จ่ายสำหรับคุณ

Ukrainian
Якщо вам або людині, якій ви допомагаєте, потрібні послуги перекладу, телефонуйте на номер 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711). Ми також надаємо матеріали та послуги для людей з обмеженими можливостями, як-от документи шрифтом Брайля або надруковані великим шрифтом. Ці послуги для вас безкоштовні.

Vietnamese
Nếu quý vị hoặc ai đó mà quý vị đang giúp đỡ cần dịch vụ ngôn ngữ, hãy gọi 1-833-236-4141 (TTY: 711). Chúng tôi cũng có sẵn các trợ giúp và dịch vụ dành cho người khuyết tật, như tài liệu bằng chữ nổi Braille và bản in khổ lớn. Quý vị được nhận các dịch vụ này miễn phí.