

Support for health care professionals affected by storms

Our priority is making sure members have immediate and easy access to the care they need while supporting you and your practice. UnitedHealthcare is taking the following measures to help those affected by Hurricane Ian.

Scope and applicability

Benefit plans: Unless otherwise noted, these measures apply to the following UnitedHealthcare benefit plans: UnitedHealthcare® Medicare Advantage and UnitedHealthcare commercial plans.

Dates of service: Except where a different date range is specified, these measures apply to dates of service from Sept. 28–Oct. 13, 2022. The applicable date ranges are subject to change.

Counties: Unless otherwise noted, these measures apply to all South Carolina counties.

Regulatory requirements and guidance: As applicable, we will follow regulatory requirements or guidance if it differs from these provisions.

- **Transfers and acute discharges:** We will not require prior authorization for facility-to-facility member transfers and acute discharges to network skilled nursing facilities. This applies from Sept. 28–Oct. 7, 2022.
- **Early prescription refills:** Members statewide who are affected can obtain early refills of existing prescriptions through direct pharmacy or mail order. Early refills will be limited to 1 refill, up to a 30-day supply, for each existing prescription. Members should call the pharmacy number on their ID card, or speak directly to a pharmacist about their situation, to get an early refill.
- **UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage members:** We have made the following provisions to meet the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) requirements for Medicare Advantage members from Sept. 28–Nov. 12, 2022. The following provisions apply:
 - Any gatekeeper referral requirements are waived
 - Members may obtain services from out-of-network care professionals at in-network cost-sharing amounts (Medicare Part A and B benefits must be obtained from Medicare-eligible health care professionals)

If you have questions, please call the Provider Services number on the member's ID card.

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