

NONDISCRIMINATION NOTICE

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

IEHP provides:

- Free aids and services to people with disabilities to help them communicate better, such as:
 - ✓ Qualified sign language interpreters
 - ✓ Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- 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 IEHP Covered Member Services at **1-855-433-4347** (IEHP), Monday-Friday, 8am-6pm. If you cannot hear or speak well, please call **711**. 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:

Inland Empire Health Plan 10801 6th St., Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730-5987 **1-855-433-4347 (IEHP)** (TTY: **711**)

HOW TO FILE A GRIEVANCE

If you believe that IEHP has failed to provide these services or unlawfully discriminated in another way on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, ethnic group identification, age, mental disability, physical disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, gender, gender identity, or sexual orientation, you can file a grievance with IEHP's Civil Rights Coordinator. You can file a grievance by phone, in writing, in person, or electronically:

- <u>By phone</u>: Contact IEHP's Civil Rights Coordinator between 8am-5pm, by calling **1-855-433-4347 (IEHP)**. Or, if you cannot hear or speak well, please call TTY: **711**.
- In writing: Fill out a complaint form or write a letter and send it to:

IEHP Civil Rights Coordinator 10801 6th St., Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730-5987

- In person: Visit your doctor's office or IEHP and say you want to file a grievance.
- Electronically: Visit IEHP Covered's website at IEHP.org.

The California Department of Managed Health Care is responsible for regulating health care service plans. If you have a grievance against your health plan, you should first telephone your health plan at 1-855-433-4347 (IEHP) and use your health plan's grievance process before contacting the department. Utilizing this grievance procedure does not prohibit any potential legal rights or remedies that may be available to you. If you need help with a grievance involving an emergency, a grievance that has not been satisfactorily resolved by your health plan, or a grievance that has remained unresolved for more than 30 days, you may call the department for assistance. You may also be eligible for an Independent Medical Review (IMR). If you are eligible for IMR, the IMR process will provide an impartial review of medical decisions made by a health plan related to the medical necessity of a proposed service or treatment, coverage decisions for treatments that are experimental or investigational in nature and payment disputes for emergency or urgent medical services. The department also has a toll-free telephone number (1-888-**466-2219**) and a TDD line (**1-877-688-9891**) for the hearing and speech impaired. The department's internet website www.dmhc.ca.gov has complaint forms, IMR application forms and instructions online.

<u>OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS</u> – U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

If you believe you have been discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origin, 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:

- <u>By phone</u>: 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*.

• <u>Electronically</u>: Visit the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal at https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf