

TO REPORT PROBLEMS AND APPEAL DECISIONS

To Report Problems to the Upper Peninsula Health Plan

If you are not happy with the Upper Peninsula Health Plan (UPHP) or your health care, call Customer Service at 1-800-835-2556. The Customer Service staff will listen to you and try to answer your questions or solve your problem. You may also write a letter to Customer Service. If you want help to write a letter, call Customer Service.

If your problem is not fixed at the time you call or write, Customer Service will look into your concern and get back to you within 5 business days. A final decision will be made 30 days after we get your call or letter. If you do not like the way we took care of your problem, you have 90 days to let us know. We will tell you in writing of your rights and the steps for appeal.

To Appeal Medical Decisions

Approving care your doctor asks for is based on medical need. UPHP does not reward providers for denying care or underusing services.

If you are not happy with a medical decision by UPHP, you may ask for an appeal. You will learn in writing that UPHP has received your request within 5 business days. UPHP will review your appeal. You will have a final decision in writing within 30 days.

If a 30-day timeline would be a serious threat to your life or health, your primary care provider or another provider must call UPHP Clinical Services at 1-800-835-2556 and ask for an expedited appeal. You will get a first decision within 72 hours.

You must give written consent for someone to act for you in an appeal.

If you want to appeal a decision about medical need, and you have finished the UPHP grievance and appeal process, you may do so, within 60 days of the decision, by calling or writing to:

**Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation
Appeals Section, Health Plans Division
P.O. Box 30220
Lansing, MI 48909-7720
1-877-999-6442**

If you want help to write the letter, call UPHP Customer Service.