

# Access to Protected Health Information (PHI)



The member or the member’s personal representative has the right to inspect and receive copies of the members’ Protected Health Information (PHI). PHI is individually identifiable health information including demographic data, that relates to the individual’s:

- past, present or future physical or mental health or condition;
- provision of health care;
- the past, present, or future payment for the provision of health care.

The right of access excludes psychotherapy notes, information WHA has compiled in anticipation of or for use in civil, criminal or administrative actions or proceedings or other legal exemptions.

WHA will verify the identity of the person requesting access before the request is processed. Keep a copy of this form for your records.

*Please note that WHA does not maintain medical records. Please contact the healthcare provider or facility.*

## Return Completed Form Using One of the Following Methods

<b>Mail or Deliver To</b>	Western Health Advantage Attn: Member Services 2349 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 100 Sacramento, CA 95833
<b>Fax To</b>	916.568.0126
<b>Email To</b>	<a href="mailto:Memberservices@westernhealth.com">Memberservices@westernhealth.com</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Include in Subject Line: Access to Protected Health Information</i></li> <li>○ <b>For Your Information:</b> <i>Emails can be intercepted during transmission allowing the message and attachments to be accessed, potentially compromising the information that is sent.</i></li> </ul>
<b>Questions</b>	916.563.2250   888.563.2250 Toll-free   711 TTY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Customer Service is available to answer questions 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday (excluding holidays)</i></li> </ul>

## Member Information

Member Name (First & Last)	
WHA ID#	
Date of Birth	
Address	
Phone Number	
Email	

## Personal Representative Information *(See additional requirements below)*

Name (First & Last)	
Address	
Phone Number	

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## Information Requested– Check all that apply

Information from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month/Year) (Month/Year)

- All Enrollment Records or
- Application and related information
  - Coverage and dates of eligibility
  - Change and termination of coverage information

- All Case or Medical Management Records or
- Medical Management
  - Case Management
  - Appeals and Grievances
  - Disease Management

- All Premium Payment Records (*Individual and Covered CA Plans Only*)

- All Claims or Billing Records or
- Accumulator Information
  - Claims History, including Pharmacy

- Other information used or maintained by WHA, specifically:

- I prefer to receive a written summary of the requested information.

Is this request to inspect or to receive a copy of records?     Inspect     Receive

- If request is to inspect, WHA will coordinate a mutually convenient time.

In what format would you like to receive your copies?     Paper     Electronic

- If electronic is requested, in what format would you prefer? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Examples: Email, CD, Thumb Drive)

\* WHA makes a reasonable effort to accommodate the electronic format request. Where would you like to receive your copies?

- The above address

Email To: \_\_\_\_\_

\* WHA protects your email, in transit, by using encryption. If others have access to your email they will be able to read the email and open any attachments.

- I or  my personal representative will pick up the copy at the WHA office listed above.

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## Signatures

I understand and agree to the following:

- This request will be processed within thirty (30) calendar days. An extension of not more than thirty (30) calendar days may be needed and communicated to the member in writing.
- If WHA cannot produce the records in the format requested, an agreed upon alternative will be identified.
- If a summary or paper format is requested, a reasonable cost-based fee for supplies, postage and copying will be charged.
- This request for access to information may be denied or reduced. A right to request a review of this decision by a licensed health care professional that WHA designates, can be submitted in writing by using the “Mail To” address at the top of this form.
- A complaint concerning the request for access may be filed with the Privacy Officer at Western Health Advantage, 2349 Gateway Oaks Dr., Suite 100, Sacramento, CA 95833; or to the US Department of Health & Human Services at 200 Independence Avenue, S.W. Room 509F HHH Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20201.

### Member

Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### Personal Representative

Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the box that describes your relationship to the member:

Parent of Minor  Legal guardian  Power of Attorney  Executor  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Documentary proof (including but not limited to: court documents, birth certificate, etc.) of your relationship/authorization must be attached to this request.** If you are requesting access to a minor’s (12 years of age or older) records, federal and state laws may prohibit WHA from acting on your request if the information is related to sensitive services without written authorization from the minor.

Western Health Advantage complies with applicable Federal and California civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, sex, marital status, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, or disability, as applicable. Western Health Advantage does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, sex, marital status, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, or disability.

Western Health Advantage:

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, 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 Member Services Manager at 888.563.2250 and find more information online at <https://www.westernhealth.com/legal/non-discrimination-notice/>.

If you believe that Western Health Advantage has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, sex, marital status, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, or disability, you can file a grievance by telephone, mail, fax, email, or online with: Member Services Manager, 2349 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 100, Sacramento, CA 95833, 888.563.2250 or 916.563.2250, 888.877.5378 (TTY), 916.568.0126 (fax), [memberservices@westernhealth.com](mailto:memberservices@westernhealth.com), <https://www.westernhealth.com/legal/grievance-form/>. If you need help filing a grievance, the Member Services Manager is available to help you. For more information about the Western Health Advantage grievance process and your grievance rights with the California Department of Managed Health Care, please visit our website at <https://www.westernhealth.com/legal/grievance-form/>.

If there is a concern of discrimination based on 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, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at:

Website: <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>; Mail: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 509F, HHH Building, Washington, D.C. 20201; Phone: 800.368.1019 or 800.537.7697 (TDD). Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>.

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## ENGLISH

If you, or someone you're helping, have questions about Western Health Advantage, you have the right to get help and information in your language at no cost. To talk to an interpreter, call 888.563.2250 or TTY 888.877.5378.

## SPANISH

Si usted, o alguien a quien usted está ayudando, tiene preguntas acerca de Western Health Advantage, tiene derecho a obtener ayuda e información en su idioma sin costo alguno. Para hablar con un intérprete, llame al 888.563.2250, o al TTY 888.877.5378 si tiene dificultades auditivas.

## CHINESE

如果您，或是您正在協助的對象，有關於Western Health Advantage方面的問題，您有權利免費以您的母語得到幫助和訊息。洽詢一位翻譯員，請撥電話888.563.2250或聽障人士專線(TTY) 888.877.5378。

## VIETNAMESE

Nếu quý vị, hay người mà quý vị đang giúp đỡ, có câu hỏi về Western Health Advantage, quý vị sẽ có quyền được giúp và có thêm thông tin bằng ngôn ngữ của mình miễn phí. Để nói chuyện với một thông dịch viên, xin gọi số 888.563.2250, hoặc gọi đường dây TTY dành cho người khiếm thính tại số 888.877.5378.

## TAGALOG

Kung ikaw, o ang iyong tinutulungan, ay may mga katanungan tungkol sa Western Health Advantage, may karapatan ka na makakuha ng tulong at impormasyon sa iyong wika ng walang gastos. Upang makausap ang isang tagasalín, tumawag sa 888.563.2250 o TTY para sa may kapansanan sa pandinig sa 888.877.5378.

**KOREAN**

만약 귀하 또는 귀하가 돕고 있는 어떤 사람이 Western Health Advantage에 관해서 질문이 있다면 귀하는 그러한 도움과 정보를 귀하의 언어로 비용 부담 없이 얻을 수 있는 권리가 있습니다. 그렇게 통역사와 얘기하기 위해서는 888.563.2250이나 청각 장애인용 TTY 888.877.5378로 연락하십시오.

**ARMENIAN**

Եթե Դուք կամ Ձեր կողմից օգնություն ստացող անձը հարցեր ունի Western Health Advantage-ի մասին, Դուք իրավունք ունեք անվճար օգնություն և տեղեկություններ ստանալու Ձեր նախընտրած լեզվով: Թարգմանչի հետ խոսելու համար զանգահարե՛ք 888.563.2250 համարով կամ TTY 888.877.5378՝ լսողության հետ խնդիրներ ունեցողների համար:

**PERSIAN-FARSI**

اگر شما، یا کسی که شما به او کمک میکنید ، سوال در مورد Western Health Advantage (وسترن هلث آدونتیج) داشته باشید حق این را دارید که کمک و اطلاعات به زبان خود را به طور رایگان دریافت نمایید. لطفا با شماره تلفن 888.563.2250 تماس بگیرید. افراد ناشنوا می توانند به شماره 888.877.5378 پیام تاپیی ارسال کنند

**RUSSIAN**

Если у вас или лица, которому вы помогаете, имеются вопросы по поводу Western Health Advantage, то вы имеете право на бесплатное получение помощи и информации на вашем языке. Для разговора с переводчиком позвоните по телефону 888.563.2250 или воспользуйтесь линией TTY для лиц с нарушениями слуха по номеру 888.877.5378.

**JAPANESE**

ご本人様、またはお客様の身の回りの方でも、Western Health Advantageについてご質問がございましたら、ご希望の言語でサポートを受けたり、情報を入手したりすることができます。料金はかかりません。通訳とお話される場合、888.563.2250までお電話ください。聴覚障がい者用TTYをご利用の場合は、888.877.5378までお電話ください。

**ARABIC**

إن كان لديك أو لدى شخص تساعد أسئلة بخصوص Western Health Advantage، فلدبك الحق في الحصول على المساعدة والمعلومات الضرورية بلغتك من دون اية تكلفة. للتحدث مع مترجم اتصل بـ 888.563.2250، أو برقم الهاتف النصي (TTY) لضعاف السمع 888.877.5378.

**PUNJABI**

ਜੇਕਰ ਤੁਸੀਂ, ਜਾਂ ਜਿਸ ਕਿਸੇ ਦੀ ਤੁਸੀਂ ਮਦਦ ਕਰ ਰਹੇ ਹੋ, ਦੇ Western Health Advantage ਬਾਰੇ ਸਵਾਲ ਹਨ ਤਾਂ, ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਵਿੱਚ ਮਦਦ ਅਤੇ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਹਾਸਲ ਕਰਨ ਦਾ ਅਧਿਕਾਰ ਹੈ। ਦੁਆਰੀਏ ਨਾਲ ਗੱਲ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ, 888.563.2250 'ਤੇ ਜਾਂ ਪੂਰੀ ਤਰ੍ਹਾਂ ਸੁਣਨ ਵਿੱਚ ਅਸਮਰਥ ਟੀਟੀਵਾਈ ਲਈ 888.877.5378 'ਤੇ ਕਾਲ ਕਰੋ।

**CAMBODIAN-MON-KHMER**

ប្រសិនបើអ្នក ឬនរណាម្នាក់ដែលកំពុងជួយអ្នក មានសំណួរអំពី Western Health Advantage ទេ, អ្នកមានសិទ្ធិទទួលជំនួយនឹងព័ត៌មាននៅក្នុងភាសាស្រីអ្នក ដោយមិនអស់ប្រាក់។ ដើម្បីនិយាយជាមួយអ្នកបកប្រែ សូមទូរស័ព្ទ 888.563.2250 ឬ TTY សម្រាប់អ្នកត្រចៀកធ្ងន់ តាមលេខ 888.877.5378។

**HMONG**

Yog koj, los yog tej tus neeg uas koj pab ntawd, muaj lus nug txog Western Health Advantage, koj muaj cai kom lawm muab cov ntshiab lus qhia uas tau muab sau ua koj hom lus pub dawb rau koj. Yog koj xav nrog ib tug neeg txhais lus tham, hu rau 888.563.2250 los sis TTY rau cov neeg uas tsis hnov lus zoo nyob ntawm 888.877.5378.

**HINDI**

यदि आप, या जिस किसी की आप मदद कर रहे हो, के Western Health Advantage के बारे में प्रश्न हैं तो, आपको अपनी भाषा में मदद तथा जानकारी प्राप्त करने का अधिकार है। दुआशिए के साथ बात करने के लिए, 888.563.2250 पर या पूरी तरह श्रवण में असमर्थ टीटीवाई के लिए 888.877.5378 पर कॉल करो।

**THAI**

หากคุณ หรือคนที่คุณกำลังช่วยเหลือนั้นมีคำถามเกี่ยวกับ Western Health Advantage คุณมีสิทธิที่จะได้รับความช่วยเหลือและข้อมูลในภาษาของคุณได้โดยไม่มีค่าใช้จ่าย เพื่อพูดคุยกับล่าม โทร 888.563.2250 หรือใช้TTY สำหรับคนหูหนวกโดยโทร 888.877.5378