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Access to Health Care Transparency Resources Helps Drive Consumer Engagement and Lowers Costs



As people take greater responsibility for their health care decisions and the cost of medical treatments, transparency resources are becoming important tools to help consumers access quality care and avoid surprise medical bills.

There are many new online and mobile resources that help people to comparison shop for health care, enable access to market-average prices for medical services, and provide quality information about specific physicians.

Message from Brian Luehne, VP, Consultant Relations



UnitedHealthcare recognizes the importance of making health care quality and cost information more accessible to all. We are committed to helping build the future of health care transparency and enabling health ownership to be achieved with tools and resources that empower people to make more informed decisions about their care and maximize the value of their health benefits. In this issue, learn how we are **advancing health care transparency** through innovative resources, industry collaborations and ongoing research.

In addition, complex medical conditions continue to account for high treatment spend nationwide. **Centers of Excellence networks** can help improve clinical outcomes and reduce treatment costs. Read about the positive results from UnitedHealthcare's Complex Medical Conditions programs supported by Centers of Excellence, including major cost savings, fewer complications, shorter length of stays, and lower readmission rates.

Products, Programs and Resources

- **New Notification/Prior Authorization Required for Specialty Medications Renflexis™ and Brineura™**
The notification/Prior Authorization requirement for Renflexis is effective Aug. 1 and Brineura Oct. 1, and applies to all UnitedHealthcare commercial plans including: UnitedHealthcare of the Mid-Atlantic, UnitedHealthcare Oxford, Neighborhood Health Partnership, and UnitedHealthcare of the River Valley.



Register for the Aug. 3 Consultant Webinar: The Political Environment and Health Care Reform in 2017

We invite you to join us Thursday, Aug. 3, from 2-3 p.m. ET at our webinar, The Political Environment and Health Care Reform in 2017, to discuss the dynamics that have and will continue to shape the ongoing health care reform

debate in the United States.