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## Saving Money with

## Preventive Care

ow does preventive care save you money? By finding health care concerns *before* they are serious enough to require trips to the emergency room or the hospital.

Many Members don't take advantage of this benefit, but most in-network preventive care services are covered at 100%, meaning they are at **no cost** to you.

When you schedule your annual preventive care appointments, your doctor can identify health issues earlier and manage them before they become a more serious problem.

When the Fund Office pays claims, we see that many Members who had the most catastrophic and expensive claims did not have a Primary Care Physician (PCP) and did not use their preventive benefits regularly.



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is a newsletter designed to keep all Members informed about how to use their benefits most effectively. Members also may contact their Union's Benefit Clerks or call the Trust Fund Office directly at (800) 552-2400. Phone hours for the Trust Fund Office's Health and Welfare Services Department are 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday. Or visit us online at **ufcwtrust.com**.

# Share your stories and ideas with the Trust Fund Office

Would you like to share a story of how UEBT benefits made a difference in your life or for one of your loved ones? Do you have a benefit-related topic you would like to learn more about in a future issue of *For Your Benefit*?

Email your story or ideas to **MemberProfile@ufcwtrust.com**. We may contact you for more information.

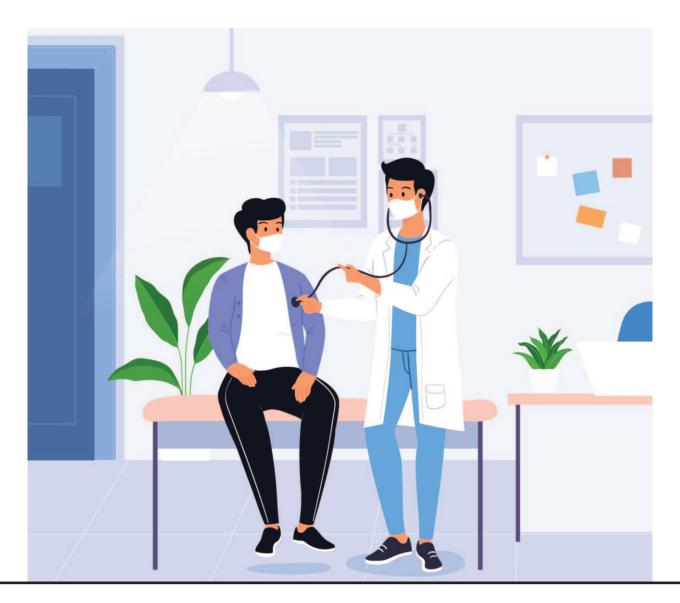


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# The Power of a Primary Care Physician

n a recent study of paid claims for all plans (Active and Non-Medicare Retiree Plans), the Fund Office found that a majority of Members with the most catastrophic health events didn't have a Primary Care Physician (PCP). Why does this matter?

By establishing a relationship with a PCP over the long term, your doctor will get to know you personally, learn about your health concerns, and be best equipped to help you manage those concerns. A long term relationship with a PCP can help you detect and manage a wide range of health issues.

A PCP can teach you how to lead a healthier lifestyle, provide needed medications, screen for diseases, and recommend specialists when you need them.

Look for a PCP who fits your personal needs. Remember, the Fund pays most preventive care visits with an in-network PCP at 100%, meaning they are at no cost to you.

LOOKING FOR A PCP NEAR YOU? SCAN THE FOLLOWING QR CODES WITH YOUR SMART PHONE OR TABLET:



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Solidaritus Health Centers (open in Rocklin; coming soon to San Jose and South San Francisco) exclusively serve UEBT PPO Members. To sign up on the waiting list to be seen by a PCP, log into your Participant Account on ufcwtrust.com and look for the instructions in your Health Centers section.



lue Shield Members now can view, print or order copies of their Blue Shield ID card directly from their Participant Accounts!

Cards are available to Active Members.



#### Follow the steps below to view, print, or order a card:

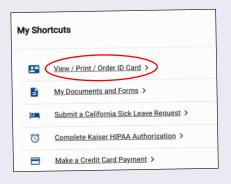


Log into your Participant Account at ufcwtrust.com.





Select "View / Print / Order ID Card" from the "My Shortcuts" section of the "My Info" tab.





Blue Shield Insurance Card

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TO PRINT YOUR ID CARD
To view the card digitally as a PDF or to print from PDF, select "View / Print ID Card."
Then select "Blue Shield ID Card." The PDF will open.

Screenshot, save or print the PDF as desired.





TO ORDER ID CARDS
To order a new card to your home address, select
"Order ID Card."



Note: If you order a Blue Shield ID Card. you will receive two (2) cards at the address the Trust Fund Office has on file for you. Before proceeding, please review the "Addresses" section of the "My Info" tab and update the address as necessary.

# For Your Benefit WORD SEARCH

Search for these key words from the Spring 2024 issue of For Your Benefit!

APPOINTMENT
CATASTROPHIC
EXCITED
FACILITY
HEALTH
IDENTIFICATION
LIFESTYLE
MONEY
PARTICIPANT
RIBBON

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Puzzle credit: education.com

#### RECIPE



## Chicken and Pepper Paella

A unique take on paella made with pasta instead of rice

Servings: 2

#### Ingredients:

- <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> lbs. boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- Olive oil cooking spray
- ½ cup sliced turkey sausage
- <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup fat-free, low-sodium chicken broth
- 1½ cup water
- ¼ tsp saffron
- 1 cup frozen chopped onion
- 1 cup sliced red bell pepper
- 1 seeded and chopped poblano chile pepper
- ½ cup whole wheat orzo
- ½ tsp salt
- ¼ tsp freshly ground black pepper

#### Directions:

- 1. Cut chicken into 2-inch pieces. Heat a nonstick skillet over medium-high heat and spray with olive oil cooking spray. Add chicken and sausage. Brown on all sides, about 5 minutes. Remove from skillet.
- **2.** Add chicken broth, water, and saffron to the skillet and bring to a boil, scraping the brown bits from the bottom of the skillet.
- **3.** Add onion, zucchini, red bell pepper, poblano chile pepper and orzo. Stir, bring back to a boil and cook 7 minutes. If not using a nonstick pan, stir often to keep orzo from sticking. If pan becomes dry, add more water.
- **4.** Return meat to skillet for 5 minutes. Liquid should be absorbed. Add salt and pepper. Serve on 2 dinner plates.

SOURCE (RECIPE & PHOTO):

· diabetesfoodhub.org



# Solidaritus Health Center in Rocklin Celebrates Grand Opening

he grand opening of the Solidaritus Health Center in Rocklin took place on February 20th with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and tours of the brand-new primary care facility.

At Solidaritus Health Centers, UEBT Members and their families can receive "concierge" health care with zero out-of-pocket costs for doctor's visits.

The establishment of the Solidaritus Health Center in Rocklin, the first of three initial locations in Northern California, is a monumental achievement, culminating 15 years of efforts by Union and Employer trustees of the health plan.

The centers' goals are to improve the quality and outcome of health care by providing affordable primary care and personalized experiences for Members in a relaxed setting.

"It's a simple proposition," said Mark Blum, CEO and president of Solidaritus. "Working people should have great health care."

Members and their families "can expect to get quick appointments for urgent care needs as well as basic health care needs the same day or the next day in a calm and pleasing environment," Blum continued. "If they have urgent care needs after hours, they don't have to wait all night in an emergency room. They can contact their own doctor directly."

#### A Single Goal

Attendees of the grand opening heard from a lineup of civic leaders, health care professionals and benefit fund trustees representing UEBT.

Rick Silva, Administrator and Executive Director of the UFCW and Employers Trust, LLC, set the tone when he told attendees, "I stand here with you all very excited and proud of the accomplishments of so many people invested in this amazing project, all focused with a single goal in mind: delivering access and great quality care to our Membership."

Other speakers at the ribbon-cutting ceremony in Rocklin included Jacques Loveall, chair of the UFCW & Employers Benefit Trust and president of UFCW 8-Golden State; Frank Udvarhely, representing Placer County Supervisor Suzanne Jones; Victor Wolfe on behalf of California Assemblymember Joe Patterson; and Captain Chad Morris of the Rocklin Police Department. All welcomed the new Solidaritus Health Center to the community.