

# Privacy Act Notice for the Accountable Health Communities (AHC) Model

Privacy Act Notice – effective 5/22/2018

Your Provider participates in the **Accountable Health Communities Model**, a program that connects you with community and social service programs in addition to the health services you get from your health care provider. This includes programs that can help with housing, food, utilities, violence or transportation. We need to collect information about you to connect you with the right programs. Information we collect includes your name, Medicare and/or Medicaid identification numbers, and contact information.

## **Sharing information is your choice**

Sharing your information is your choice, and won't affect the services you get from your health care provider. If you decide not to provide your information, your provider may not be able to connect you with community and social services through this program. Information you give will never be used for immigration enforcement.

## **How your information is used**

You provider will share your information with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), the agency that administers the Accountable Health Communities Model. CMS may need to share your information with others, including:

1. Other federal, state and local government agencies (such as the Department of Justice);
2. Your authorized representative, if you have one;
3. A person or company hired by CMS to do official work; and
4. Anyone else as required or allowed by law.

You can learn more about how CMS handles your information at: [www.cms.gov/About-CMS/Agency-Information/Aboutwebsite/Privacy-Policy.html](http://www.cms.gov/About-CMS/Agency-Information/Aboutwebsite/Privacy-Policy.html).

*CMS is authorized to collect your information under Section 3021 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law No. 111-148), as amended by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 (Public Law No. 111-152). The Privacy Act System of Records Notice associated with this collection is the Master Demonstration, Evaluation, and Research Studies (DERS) for the Office of Research, Development and Information (ORDI), CMS System No. 09-70-0591, as amended, 72 Federal Register, 19705, Apr. 19, 2007. This statement provides the notice required by the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. § 552a(e)(3)).*

## Accountable Health Communities Model Screening Tool

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Our goal is to connect you to the community resources you need to be healthy. This health care provider participates in the Accountable Health Communities (AHC) program funded by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. This program can help connect you to services in your community that may improve your health. By answering these questions we may be able to provide you with connections to services or programs that may help you. Your information will be kept confidential. The information that you provide will not impact your Medicare or Medicaid eligibility status. You should answer the questions in your own way. There are no right or wrong answers. Questions labeled with \* are required.

1. \*Complete the following statement. I am answering this survey about ...

- Myself       My child       Another adult for whom I provide care  
 Other (please describe your relationship to this person) \_\_\_\_\_

\*First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Health Coverage Type:

Medicaid#: \_\_\_\_\_ Medicare#: \_\_\_\_\_

Commercial/Uninsured/Other: \_\_\_\_\_

(check if applicable)

2. Are you Hispanic, Latino/a, or of Spanish origin? *Choose all that apply*

- No, not of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin  
 Yes, Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano  
 Yes, Puerto Rican  
 Yes, Cuban  
 Yes, another Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin

3. Which one or more of the following would you say is your race? *Choose all that apply*

- American Indian/Alaska Native       Asian  
 Black or African American       White  
 Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander       Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

### Information

4. \*How many times have you received care in an emergency room (ER) over the last 12 months?

*If you are in the ER now, please count your current visit. Please do not count urgent care visits.*

- 0 times       1 time       2 or more times

5. \*Do you live in any of the following locations?  Yes       No

I live in an **assisted living facility** I live in a **nursing home**  
I live in a **rehabilitation center** or **skilled nursing facility**  
I live in an **in-patient recovery program** for a drug or alcohol problem  
I live in a **psychiatric facility**  
I live in a **correctional facility**

## Living Situation

6. What is your living situation today?

- I have a steady place to live
- I have a place to live today, but I am worried about losing it in the future
- I do not have a steady place to live (*I am temporarily staying with others, in a hotel, in a shelter, living outside on the street, on a beach, in a car, abandoned building*)

7. Think about the place you live. Do you have problems with any of the following?

- Pests such as bugs, ants, or mice
- Smoke detectors missing or not working
- Oven or stove not working
- Mold
- Lead paint or pipes
- Lack of heat
- Water leaks
- None of the above

## Food

8. Within the past 12 months, you worried that your food would run out before you got money to buy more.

- Often true     Sometimes true     Never true

9. Within the past 12 months, the food you bought just didn't last and you didn't have money to get more.

- Often true     Sometimes true     Never true

## Transportation

10. In the past 12 months, has lack of reliable transportation kept you from medical appointments, meetings, work or from getting to things needed for daily living?

- Yes     No

## Utilities

11. In the past 12 months has the electric, gas, oil, or water company threatened to shut off services in your home?

- Yes     No     Already shut off

## Safety

*Because violence and abuse happens to a lot of people and affects their health we are asking the following questions. (Please circle appropriate answer.)*

12. How often does anyone, including family and friends, physically hurt you?

- 1 Never    2 Rarely    3 Sometimes    4 Fairly often    5 Frequently

13. How often does anyone, including family and friends, insult or talk down to you?

- 1 Never    2 Rarely    3 Sometimes    4 Fairly often    5 Frequently

14. How often does anyone, including family and friends, threaten you with harm?

- 1 Never    2 Rarely    3 Sometimes    4 Fairly often    5 Frequently

15. How often does anyone, including family and friends, scream or curse at you?

- 1 Never    2 Rarely    3 Sometimes    4 Fairly often    5 Frequently

## Family and Community Support

16. How often do you feel lonely or isolated from those around you?

- Never     Rarely     Sometimes     Often     Always

**Background.**

17. How many people do you currently live with? *Please count yourself, your spouse/partner, your children, and any other dependents. If you live alone, put 1.* \_\_\_\_ number of people

18. What is your annual household income from all sources?

*Please include your income as well as the income for everyone you counted above in your household.*

- Less than \$10,000
- \$10,000 to less than \$15,000
- \$15,000 to less than \$20,000
- \$20,000 to less than \$25,000
- \$25,000 to less than \$35,000
- \$35,000 to less than \$50,000
- \$50,000 to less than \$75,000
- \$75,000 or more

19. What is the number of children in your household? \_\_\_\_\_

20. If you have children how many are in each age group?

0-3 \_\_\_\_ 4-6 \_\_\_\_ 7-12 \_\_\_\_ 13-18 \_\_\_\_ 19-21 \_\_\_\_

You may be eligible for free, local care coordination services. Care Coordinators can help you navigate local resources such as housing assistance, accessing affordable/free food, transportation to medical appointments, utility payment support and other resources you may not realize are available. Medicaid members are offered this benefit along with some Medicare members\*.

I understand that this information may be shared with a care coordinator and that the care coordinator may contact me to help me access community resources for my identified needs.

Phone number care coordinator should use to contact you: \_\_\_\_\_.

If you do not want to be contacted by a care coordinator, please check the box below.

\_\_\_\_ No, do not have a care coordinator contact me.

*\*(All Medicaid members are eligible for Care Coordination, Medicare members must have visited the Emergency Department 2 or more times, and have indicated another need).*

Date Screened: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Entered in QHN: \_\_\_\_\_