

## **Assistive Technology**

Persons using assistive technology may not be able to fully access the following information. For assistance, please call 1-888-982-3862.

## **Smartphone or Tablet**

To view documents from your smartphone or tablet, the free WinZip app is required. It may be available from your App Store.

## **Non-Discrimination**

Aetna complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate, exclude or treat people differently based on their race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability.

Aetna provides free aids/services to people with disabilities and to people who need language assistance.

If you need a qualified interpreter, written information in other formats, translation or other services, call 1-888-982-3862.

If you believe we have failed to provide these services or otherwise discriminated based on a protected class noted above, you can also file a grievance with the Civil Rights Coordinator by contacting:

Civil Rights Coordinator,

P.O. Box 14462, Lexington, KY 40512 (CA HMO customers: PO Box 24030 Fresno, CA 93779),

1-800-648-7817, TTY: 711,

Fax: 859-425-3379 (CA HMO customers: 860-262-7705), [CRCoordinator@aetna.com](mailto:CRCoordinator@aetna.com).

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>, or at: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Room 509F, HHH Building, Washington, DC 20201, or at 1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD).

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## Language Assistance

TTY: 711

For language assistance in English call 1-888-982-3862 at no cost. (English)

Para obtener asistencia lingüística en español, llame sin cargo al 1-888-982-3862 . (Spanish)

欲取得繁體中文語言協助，請撥打1-888-982-3862，無需付費。(Chinese)

Pour une assistance linguistique en français appeler le 1-888-982-3862 sans frais. (French)

Para sa tulong sa wika na nasa Tagalog, tawagan ang 1-888-982-3862 nang walang bayad. (Tagalog)

T'áá shí shizaad k'ehjí bee shiká a 'doowoł nínízingo Diné k'ehjí kojí t'áá jik'e hólne' 1-888-982-3862 (Navajo)

Benötigen Sie Hilfe oder Informationen in deutscher Sprache? Rufen Sie uns kostenlos unter der Nummer 1-888-982-3862 an. (German)

Për asistencë në gjuhën shqipe telefononi falas në 1-888-982-3862 . (Albanian)

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للمساعدة في (اللغة العربية)، الرجاء الاتصال على الرقم المجاني 1-888-982-3862 (Arabic)

Լեզվի ցուցաբերած աջակցության (հայերեն) զանգի 1-888-982-3862 առանց գնով: (Armenian)

Niba urondera uwugufasha mu Kirundi, twakure kuri iyi numero 1-888-982-3862 ku busa. (Bantu-Kirundi)

Alang sa pag-abag sa pinulongan sa (Binisayang Sinugboanon) tawag sa 1-888-982-3862 nga walay bayad. (Bisayan-Visayan)

বাংলায় ভাষা সহায়তার জন্য বিনামূল্যে 1-888-982-3862 -তে কল করুন। (Bengali-Bangala)







# Important Information about the Affordable Care Act (ACA)

## Non-discrimination Rule

The Office of Civil Rights recently issued a Non-discrimination Rule in response to Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Section 1557 prohibits discrimination because of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability in health-related insurance or other health-related coverage. This applies to Aetna. Changes to health insurance plans are effective on the first day of the policy or plan year beginning on or after January 1, 2017.

Some language changes may not be in the enclosed certificate of coverage or policy. This may be because the language is still under official review for approval. See the *Important note* below for how this affects your policy or plan.

**Important note:**

We will comply with the requirements of the Rule for all new and renewing policies or plans with an effective date on or after January 1, 2017.

Below is a summary of some of the recent Non-discrimination Rule changes.

An insurer covered by the Rule that provides or administers health-related insurance or other health-related coverage:

- Shall not:
  - Cancel, limit or refuse to issue or renew a policy or plan
  - Deny or limit coverage of a claim
  - Apply additional cost sharing

to a person because of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability.

- Shall not:
  - Deny or limit coverage
  - Deny or limit coverage of a claim
  - Apply additional cost sharing

to a transgender person, if it results in discrimination against that person.

- Shall not exclude or limit health services related to gender transition.

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## **Important Information About Your Plan**

### **Coverage of Applied Behavior Analysis For the Treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorder**

Your Plan includes coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorder. Eligible health services include the services and supplies provided by a physician or behavioral health provider for the diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorder.

As part of this coverage, we will cover certain early intensive behavioral interventions, such as applied behavior analysis. Applied behavior analysis is an educational service that is the process of applying interventions:

- That systematically change behavior, and
- That are responsible for observable improvements in behavior.

Applied behavioral analysis will be subject to the same cost sharing requirements as other, outpatient services provided by a behavioral health provider for the treatment of autism spectrum disorder.

#### **Important notes:**

For plans that did not include such coverage previously, applied behavior analysis for the treatment of autism spectrum disorder will be an eligible health service for all new and renewing policies or plans with an effective date on or after January 1, 2017.

Applied behavior analysis requires precertification by Aetna.

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