NONDISCRIMINATION NOTICE

Discrimination is against the law. *[Health Plan]* follows Federal civil rights laws. *[Health Plan]* does not discriminate, exclude people, or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

[Health Plan] provides:

- Free aids and services to people with disabilities to help them communicate better, such as:
 - ✓ Qualified sign language interpreters
 - ✓ Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- 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 [Health Plan] between [hours of operation] by calling [telephone number]. Or, if you cannot hear or speak well, please call [TYY/TDD number].

HOW TO FILE A GRIEVANCE

If you believe that [Health Plan] has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance with [Health Plan]. You can file a grievance by phone, in writing, in person, or electronically:

- <u>By phone</u>: Contact [Health Plan] between [hours of operation] by calling [telephone number]. Or, if you cannot hear or speak well, please call [TYY/TDD number].
- <u>In writing</u>: Fill out a complaint form or write a letter and send it to:

[Health Plan] [address]

- <u>In person</u>: Visit your doctor's office or [Health Plan] and say you want to file a grievance.
- <u>Electronically</u>: Visit [Health Plan's] website at [weblink].

OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights by phone, in writing, or electronically:

- <u>By phone</u>: Call **1-800-368-1019**. If you cannot speak or hear well, please call **TTY/TDD 1-800-537-7697**.
- <u>In writing</u>: Fill out a complaint form or send a letter to:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services 200 Independence Avenue, SW Room 509F, HHH Building Washington, D.C. 20201

Complaint forms are available at http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html.

• <u>Electronically</u>: Visit the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal at <u>https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf</u>.