

Discrimination is Against the Law

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas City ("Blue KC") complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex (including sex characteristics, including intersex traits; pregnancy or related conditions; sexual orientation; gender identity, and sex stereotypes). Blue KC does not exclude people or treat them less favorably because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

Blue KC:

- Provides people with disabilities reasonable modifications and free appropriate auxiliary aids
 and services to communicate effectively with us, such as:
 - Qualified sign language interpreters
 - Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats,
 other formats).
- Provides free language assistance services to people whose primary language is not English,
 which may include:
 - Qualified interpreters
 - Information written in other languages.

If you need reasonable modifications, appropriate auxiliary aids and services, or language assistance services, contact ACA/QHP: 1-866-859-3822 (TTY:711), Commercial: 816-395-3558 (local) or 888-989-8842, Medicare Supplemental: 1-888-890-4423 (TTY:711), Medicare Advantage: 1-866-508-7140 (TTY:711), and Medicare Advantage Employer Group Waiver Plan: 1-888-892-8907 (TTY:711).

Blue KC's Section 1557 Coordinator can be reached by contacting: PO Box 419169, Kansas City, MO 64141-6169, 816-395-3537, TTY: 816-842-5607, APPEALS@bluekc.com.

If you believe that Blue KC 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: Appeals Department, PO Box 419169, Kansas City, MO 64141-6169, 816-395-3537, TTY: 816-842-5607,

<u>APPEALS@bluekc.com</u>. You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email. If you need help filing a grievance, the Appeals Department is available to help you.

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf, or by mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

200 Independence Avenue, SW

Room 509F, HHH Building

Washington, D.C. 20201

1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

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

This notice is available at Blue KC's website: https://bluekcmemberportal.azureedge.net/pdf/2024/Non-discriminationNoticeGeneralFiling.pdf