

# A member experience for the ages

Tailoring health benefits to a multigenerational workforce

The right fit matters. We're here to help employers find it. With a wide choice of plan designs, digital tools, clinical and wellness programs, rewards and more, health plans from UnitedHealthcare can be truly customized around the unique generational and health makeup of an employer's population.

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### How different generations engage with health care

From in-person vs. virtual to paper vs. digital, different generations in today's workforce prefer to interact with the health care system in very different ways. How do employers account for those variations when designing a health plan for all their employees?

Most of today's workforce is made up of 4 commonly defined generations<sup>1</sup>

care to virtual visits2



once a year or less4

care physician4

providers tell them<sup>3</sup>

## Working to meet employees where they are

Delivering a quality health plan depends on taking a closer look at the generational makeup of an employer's workforce and tailoring benefits and capabilities to what matters most to them. More Gen Xers? Make it easier for them to research and compare providers and treatment options. More Millennials? Think about easy-to-use digital tools and first-dollar/lower-cost coverage benefits.

	Bruce	Lisa	Maria	Zach
Occupation	Accountant	Senior manager	Preschool teacher	Computer engineer
Age	64	51	34	26
Generation	Baby Boomer	Generation X	Millennial	Generation Z
Health status	As Bruce gets closer to retirement, his health has become a bigger priority in his life. He's looking for benefits that can help him live a healthier lifestyle and reduce his risk of heart disease.	Lisa is reaching an age where health issues are becoming more prevalent.  She wants to manage her weight and stress, so she can continue caring for both her aging parents and her kids.	Pregnant with her second child, Maria is battling gestational diabetes as well as anxiety. Maternal health care and focusing on behavioral health are her top priorities.	Zach recently came off of his parents' health plan, is generally healthy and works out regularly. He doesn't have a primary care provider, but does seek care when his depression spikes.
Solutions	<ul> <li>Plans that support a close relationship with his primary care physician</li> <li>Pharmacy tools to manage costs of a growing list of prescriptions</li> <li>Heart disease management and wellness programs</li> <li>Advocacy support available over the phone</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Information to more easily compare providers/treatment options</li> <li>Both in-person and virtual options for care</li> <li>Chronic condition prevention and wellness programs</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Access to behavioral health providers and resources</li> <li>Maternity care programs that go beyond pregnancy and birth</li> <li>Convenient, digital and on-the-go care</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Digital tools or mobile apps</li> <li>Virtual or other convenient care</li> <li>Access to behavioral health support and resources</li> <li>Lower-cost care options, first-dollar coverage benefits</li> </ul>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Roth, Mandy. Telehealth: HIMSS Survey Provides Clues About Path Forward. HealthLeaders Media, April 30, 2021. Available: https://www.healthleadersmedia.com/telehealth/telehealth-himss-survey-provides-clues-about-path-forward. Accessed: May 1, 2023.

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# Bridging the generation gap with wellness

According to a recent study, a lack of wellness-related practices is one of the top clinical cost drivers across all 4 generations.<sup>5</sup>

Investing in wellness and encouraging preventive care can go a long way in improving overall health and lowering employer health care costs.

For example, programs like UnitedHealthcare Rewards® that incent employees to engage in healthy behaviors and lifestyle changes—such as reaching daily physical activity goals, losing weight and completing preventive screenings—are designed to help all generations of employees get and stay healthier.

86%

of UHC Rewards members have completed at least 1 activity<sup>6</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> Why Gen X is the Healthcare Consumer You Can't Forget. MarTech Health Directory, May 25, 2022. Available: https://martech.health/articles/why-gen-x-is-the-healthcare consumer you can't Forget. Accessed: May 1, 2022

<sup>4</sup> Clark, Maria. What Different Generations Want in Healthcare. Etactics, Feb. 20, 2020. Available: https://etactics.com/blog/generations-in-healthcare#boomers. Accessed: May 1, 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> UnitedHealthcare National Accounts book-of-business data. January 2023

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> UHC Rewards data as of March 30, 2023.