

TennCare Discrimination Complaint Form

Federal and State laws do not allow the TennCare Program to treat you differently because of your race, color, national origin, disability, age, sex, religion, or any other group protected by law. Do you think you have been treated differently for these reasons? Use these pages to report a complaint to TennCare.

The information marked with a star (*) must be answered. If you need more room to tell us what happened, use other sheets of paper and mail them with your complaint.

1.* Write your name, date of birth, email address, phone number, address, and health plan name.

2.* Are you reporting this complaint for someone else?

If yes, who do you think was treated differently because of their race, color, national origin, disability, age, sex, religion, or any other group protected by law? Tell us their name, date of birth, email address, phone number, address, health plan name, and your relationship to this person (spouse, parent, friend):

3.* Which part of the TennCare Program do you think treated you in a different way?

Was it Medical Services, Dental Services, Pharmacy Services, Behavioral Health, Long-Term Services & Supports, Eligibility Services, Appeals, or another area?

4.* How were you treated in a different way?

Was it your Race, National Origin, Color, Sex, Age, Disability, Religion, or another group?

5. What is the best time to talk to you about this complaint?

6.* When did this happen to you?

Do you know the date? When did it start and when was it the last time that it happened?

7. Complaints must be reported by 6 months from the date you think you were treated in a different way.

You may have more than 6 months to report your complaint if there is a good reason (like a death in your family or an illness) why you waited.

8.* What happened?

How and why do you think it happened? Who did it? Do you think anyone else was treated in a different way? You can write on more paper and send it in with these pages if you need more room.

9. Did anyone see you being treated differently?

If yes, tell us their name, address, and phone number.

10. Do you have more information you want to tell us about?

11.* We cannot take a complaint that is not signed.

Please write your name and the date below. Are you the Authorized Representative of the person who thinks they were treated differently? Please sign your name below. As the Authorized Representative, you must have proof that you can act for this person. If the patient is less than 18 years old, a parent or guardian should sign for the minor. Declaration: I agree that the information in this complaint is true and correct and give my OK for TennCare to investigate my complaint.

Are you reporting this complaint for someone else but you are not the person's Authorized Representative? Please sign your name below. The person you are reporting this complaint for must sign above or must tell his/her health plan or TennCare that it is okay for them to sign for him/her. Declaration: I agree that the information in this complaint is true and correct and give my OK for TennCare to contact me about this complaint.

Are you a helper from TennCare or the MCO/Health Plan assisting the member in good faith with the completion of the complaint? If so, please sign below:

It is okay to report a complaint to your MCO/Health Plan or TennCare. Information in this complaint is treated privately. Names or other information about people used in this complaint are shared only when needed. Please mail a signed Agreement to Release Information page with your complaint. If you are filing this complaint on behalf of someone else, have that person sign the Agreement to Release Information page and mail it with this complaint. Keep a copy of everything you send. Please mail or email the completed, signed Complaint and the signed Agreement to Release Information pages to us at:

TennCare, Office of Civil Rights Compliance
310 Great Circle Road; Floor 3W • Nashville, TN 37243
615-507-6474 or for free at 855-857-1673 (TRS 711)
HCFA.Fairtreatment@tn.gov

You can also call us if you need help with this information.



Agreement to Release Information

To investigate your complaint, TennCare may need to tell other persons or organizations important to this complaint your name or other information about you.

To speed up the investigation of your complaint, read, sign, and mail one copy of this Agreement to Release Information with your complaint. Please keep one copy for yourself.

- I understand that during the investigation of my complaint TennCare may need to share my name, date of birth, claims information, health information, or other information about me to other persons or organizations. And TennCare may need to gather this information about you from persons or organizations. For example, if I report that my doctor treated me in a different way because of my color, TennCare may need to talk to my doctor and gather my medical records.
- You do not have to agree to release your name or other information. It is not always needed to investigate your complaint. If you do not sign the release, we will still try to investigate your complaint. If you don't agree to let us use your name or other details, it may limit or stop the investigation of your complaint. We may have to close your case. Before we close your case because you did not sign the release, we may contact you to find out if you want to sign a release so the investigation can continue.

If you are filing this complaint for someone else, we need that person to sign the Agreement to Release Information. Are you signing this as an Authorized Representative? Then you must also give us a copy of the documents appointing you as the Authorized Representative.

By signing this Agreement to Release Information, I agree that I have read and understand my rights written above. I agree to TennCare sharing my name or other information about me to other persons or organizations important to this complaint during the investigation and outcome.

This Agreement to Release Information is in place until the final outcome of your complaint. You may cancel your agreement at any time by calling or writing to TennCare without canceling your complaint. If you cancel your agreement, information already shared cannot be made unknown. **Please write your name and the date and tell us your address and phone number here:**

Do you need help?

If you speak a language other than English, help in your language is available for free. We have free interpretation and translation services to help you. We have free auxiliary aids and services, like large print, to communicate effectively with you. Call us at 855-259-0701 (TTY: 800-848-0298 or TRS: 711).

Spanish: Español

ATENCIÓN: si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al 855-259-0701

العربية :Arabic

وظ محلم: اذا ملكتت مخللا ربية علا اتم دخ دم عاسملا وي مخللا رففوتم كل انج ام. اتصل مقبر: 0701-259-855

Chinese: 繁體中文

注意:如果您使用繁體中文,您可以免費獲得語言援助服務。請致電 855-259-0701

Vietnamese: Tiếng Việt

CHÚ Ý: Nếu bạn nói Tiếng Việt, có các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí dành cho bạn. Gọi số 855-259-0701

Korean: 한국어

주의: 한국어를 사용하시는 경우, 언어 지원 서비스를 무료로 이용하실 수 있습니다. 855-259-0701 번으로 전화해 주십시오.

French: Français

ATTENTION : Si vous parlez français, des services d'aide linguistique vous sont proposés gratuitement. Appelez le 855-259-0701 .

Amharic: አማርኛ

ማስታወሻ: የሚናንሩት ቋንቋ ኣማርኛ ከሆነ የትርጉም እርዳታ ድርጅቶች፣ በነጻ ሊያግዝዎት ተዘጋጀተዋል፡ ወደ ሚከተለው ቁጥር ይደውሉ (መስጣት ለተሳናቸው: 800-848-0298).

Laotian: ພາສາລາວ

ໂປດຊາບ: ຖ້າວ່າ ທ່ານເວົ້າພາສາ ລາວ, ການບໍລິການຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອດ້ານພາສາ, ໂດຍບໍ່ເສັງຄ່າ, ແມ່ນມີພ້ອມໃຫ້ທ່ານ. ໂທຣ 855-259-0701

German: Deutsch

ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlos sprachliche Hilfsdienstleistungen zur Verfügung. Rufnummer: 855-259-0701

Gujarati: ગુજરાતી

સુચના: જો તમે ગુજરાતી બોલતા હો, તો નિ:શુલ્ક ભાષા સહાય સેવાઓ તમારા માટે ઉપલબ્ધ છે. ફોન કરો 855-259-0701

Tagalog: Tagalog

PAUNAWA: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, maaari kang gumamit ng mga serbisyo ng tulong sa wika nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa 855-259-0701

Hindi: हिंदी

ध्यान दें: यदि आप हिंदी बोलते हैं तो आपके लिए मुफ्त में भाषा सहायता सेवाएं उपलब्ध हैं। 855-259-0701 पर कॉल करें।

Russian: Русский

ВНИМАНИЕ: Если вы говорите на русском языке, то вам доступны бесплатные услуги перевода. Звоните 855-259-0701

Japanese: 日本語

「日本語を話す方は、通訳や翻訳などの言語支援サービスを無料で利用できます」855-259-0701

فارسى: Persian

توج ه: اگ ر به زبان فارس ی گفتگ و می کنید، تسهیلات زبانی بصورت رایگان برای شما فراه م می باشد. با 855-259-0701

The <u>Beneficiary Support System</u> (BSS) helps people who are enrolled in the CHOICES, Employment and Community First (ECF) CHOICES, and the Katie Beckett program. They also help people who want to enroll into these programs. For help call 888-723-8193.

The TennCare Program does not discriminate against people because of their race, color, national origin including limited English proficiency and primary language, age, disability, religion, or sex. If you need reasonable modifications or think you were treated differently, or discriminated against you can file a grievance (complaint) with TennCare's Office of Civil Rights Compliance at:

Website: https://www.tn.gov/tenncare/members-applicants/civil-rights-compliance.html

Email: HCFA.Fairtreatment@tn.gov

Mail: 310 Great Circle Road Floor 3W, Nashville, TN 37243,

Need help filing a grievance? Call TennCare Connect at 855-259-0701

OCRC: 615-507-6474 (TRS 711)