# **Notice of Nondiscrimination**

#### **Protections**

Discrimination is against the law. TennCare obeys federal and state civil rights laws. We don't discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin including limited English proficiency and primary language, age, disability, or sex. TennCare doesn't exclude people or treat them less favorably (differently) because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

## **Help You Can Get**

## **Disability Related Help**

TennCare provides people with disabilities reasonable modifications. Reasonable modifications are reasonable requests for changes to a rule, policy, practice, or service to help a person with a disability related need. TennCare has free auxiliary aids and services to communicate effectively with you. Auxiliary aids and services are types of help like:

- Qualified sign language interpreters and
- Written information in large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, letter reading, Braille, or other formats.

# Language Help

TennCare offers free language help to people whose primary language is not English like:

- Qualified interpreters and
- Translations Information written in other languages.

### **Who to Contact**

TennCare Connect

Do you need help like applying or renewing your TennCare, need auxiliary aids and services, or language help to talk with TennCare? Call TennCare Connect for free at 855-259-0701.

### TennCare's Office of Civil Rights Compliance

- Reasonable Modifications
  - If you need reasonable modifications, contact TennCare's Office of Civil Rights Compliance ("OCRC").
- Grievance/Complaint

If you believe that TennCare 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/complaint with TennCare's OCRC by email at <a href="https://www.tn.gov/tenncare/members-applicants/civil-rights-compliance.html">https://www.tn.gov/tenncare/members-applicants/civil-rights-compliance.html</a>, or calling 615-507-6474 (TRS 711). If you need help filing a grievance call TennCare Connect for free at 855-259-0701.

### **More Information**

You can find forms, policies and more information about civil rights and help like for food or other things on OCRC's website: <a href="https://www.tn.gov/tenncare/members-applicants/civil-rights-compliance.html">https://www.tn.gov/tenncare/members-applicants/civil-rights-compliance.html</a>.

You can 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 <a href="https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.isf">https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.isf</a>, 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.