## California

# Language Assistance/Non-Discrimination/Services for the Hearing Impaired/How to File a Complaint

### **Language Assistance**

Ameritas Life Insurance Corp. ("Ameritas") language assistance program is designed to help Limited English Proficient (LEP) members with their language needs. It includes, but is not limited to, accessing an interpreter. A qualified interpreter will be provided at no cost to you by calling 877-233-3797. Information on how to access an interpreter is available in the top 15 languages spoken by Limited-English-Proficient individuals in California as determined by the State Department of Health Care Services.

### **Services for the Hearing Impaired**

If you have a disability and require use of a Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD), please dial 7-1-1 to use this free service.

If you require additional service, contact Ameritas between 7:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m. (CST) Monday through Thursday, and 7:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. (CST) Friday by calling the number on your ID card or 800-487-5553.

## **Non-Discrimination Policy**

Ameritas complies with applicable Federal and State civil rights laws. Ameritas does not unlawfully discriminate, exclude people or treat them differently on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, ethnic group identification, age, mental disability, physical disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, gender, gender identity or sexual orientation in connection with the group dental and vision care insurance benefits provided to customers.

#### How to file a complaint

If you believe that Ameritas has failed to provide these services or unlawfully discriminated in another way on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, ethnic group identification, age, mental disability, physical disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, gender, gender identity or sexual orientation, you may file a grievance with Ameritas at:

Ameritas Life Insurance Corp. Quality Control Unit P.O. Box 82657 Lincoln, NE 68501-2657 1- 877-897-4328 (Toll-Free)

You may contact the California Department of Insurance with your complaint and seek assistance from the governmental agency that regulates insurance. To contact the Department, write or call:

California Department of Insurance
Consumer Communications Bureau
300 South Spring Street, South Tower
Los Angeles, CA 90013
1-800-927-HELP (4357) or (213) 897-8921
TDD Number: 1-800-482-4TDD (4833)
The Hotline hours are from 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Mon - Fri (Except Holidays)
http://www.insurance.ca.gov

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

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services 200 Independence Avenue, SW Room 509F, HHH Building Washington, DC 20201 (800) 368-1019, (800) 537-7697 (TDD)

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