

## 4 provider tips for patient education



In the summer of 2021, [CVS released a report](#) of insights gleaned from healthcare consumers regarding their healthcare journeys. The results were eye-opening for providers; many patients don't have high levels of health literacy when it comes to healthcare costs and insurance coverage.

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Providers have the duty to educate their patients about these topics to ensure they get the care they need when they need it. We've compiled the top tips for providers to educate their patients using healthcare communication tools.

- 1. Leverage unified communications platforms** to create a dedicated hotline for patients with questions about their insurance coverage. Unified communications platforms offer a set of tools that can be utilized in contact center settings, which give patients the reassurance that someone is there for them to answer questions when they need it.

- 2. Offer flexible communication options to patients.** A [unified communications solution](#) delivers multiple communication channels in a single platform. Patients have the flexibility to reach out to providers how and when they want to ask questions about their coverage and healthcare costs.
  
- 3. Provide self-service options** for patients to find information on their own. A unified communications platform supports a knowledge base or other self-service option so patients can find the information they need when they want.
  
- 4. Automate communications.** Unified communications platforms can send out an automated message after a patient visits a provider with a link to more information (including information about health insurance and anticipated costs). This gives patients greater confidence and awareness about their healthcare journey.



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