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CVT OFFERS RESOURCES FOR MEMBERS DURING WILDFIRE SEASON

[Fresno, CA, July 29, 2021] – According to the National Interagency Fire Center, there are currently 85 large fires across 13 states. Wildfires threaten lives directly, and wildfire smoke can affect many more. They spread air pollution thousands of miles away, causing breathing difficulties in even healthy individuals, as well as those with heart disease, diabetes, asthma, COPD and other lung diseases.

In response, CVT has developed a <u>list of resources and health plan-specific information</u> that may be helpful to our members during this year's wildfire season.

CVT is closely monitoring this situation and will update this list routinely as new resources and information become available, so please check back regularly.

Should you have questions, please call CVT Member Services at (800) 288-9870.

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