

Affordable Care Act Section 1557 Compliance Notification

Compliance Statement

Rheumatology Services Medical Group complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

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Discrimination is Against the Law

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Rheumatology Services Medical Group does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

Rheumatology Services Medical Group:

- Provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:
 - Qualified sign language interpreters
 - Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as:
 - Qualified interpreters
 - Information written in other languages

If you need these services, contact Mindy Caballero

If you believe that Rheumatology Services Medical Group has 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 with: Mindy Caballero, Office Manager and Chief Compliance Officer, 8329 Brimhall Road #801, Bakersfield, CA 93312, phone, 661-695-8385, Fax, 661-679-6801, Email, rheumofficemc@bak.rr.com. You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email. If you need help filing a grievance, Mindy Caballero, Office Manager and Chief Compliance Officer is available to help you.

You can also 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 <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>, 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>.