#### 2024 DECEMBER

# Wellness Care Package



## **New Year's resolutions**

Most resolutions don't last past February, but it can take more than two months for a new habit to be become automatic—66 days to be exact. Don't give up on yourself this year and stick to your goal with these helpful tips:

- Be specific with your goal and include a plan.
- Write it down and post it where you can see it.
- Create accountability by sharing your goal and progress with someone.
- **Be consistent.** Set a schedule for yourself and put reminders on your phone or calendar.
- Break your goal down into smaller tasks.
- Track your progress using trackers or apps.
- **Expect mistakes** and lose all-or-nothing thinking; it takes time to create habits.
- Remember why you're making this change.
- Celebrate wins—even the small ones!

Use the December <u>New Year's SMART goals</u> toolkit for help setting a goal and reaching it. You can also find preset goals and get more information on specific topics on our <u>REAL Goals page</u>.

#### **December events**

- 12/17: Move with a Doc: Open Wide mouth health
- 12/19: <u>Learning Loft: Wellness Wisdom</u> ten tips for a healthier, happier you

<u>Check out our events</u> for more programs.

# We're here for you

Whatever your goal may be, we have programs and resources to help you with the most popular New Year's resolutions.

- Made from Scratch (nutrition newsletter)
- Mental health (services\* + resources)
- Nicotine cessation + reduction
- Partner Perks\* (member discounts)
- Video library
- Living Healthy WebMD Challenges\*\*

### GIFT yourself with good health

- Get your cancer screenings. Prevention or early detection is the best way to be the healthiest you.
- Immunizations and vaccines can prevent diseases, and staying up to date protects you from illness.
- Find out more about preventive health.
  Our toolkits have education on a variety of topics.
- Take care of your <u>mental health</u>. Free resources as well as services/treatment options\* for members.





<sup>\*</sup>Programs are available to insured members only.

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