# Wellness Guide at 18 Years Old



Today's Sta	ats & Immunizat	tions ———					
Name:			Date:				
Weight	/	%	BMI (Body Mass Index)	/	%		
Height	/	%	Blood pressure				
Flu	Other:						
Notes:			Follow-up Appt:				
Notes:			Next Well Child Appt:				
			Next Immunizations: Flu (annually), COVID (as elig	ible)			

## HELPFUL TIPS FOR THIS STAGE OF LIFE:

## Becoming a Young Adult

- "Adulting" is a journey and a process.
- Your previous experiences, resources, opportunities, and choices have contributed to shaping who you are. Take time to reflect on your life. What are your goals?
- Having increased independence can also mean increased responsibility and life stresses. You may be making decisions about your housing, education, employment, health, friendships, and family. You may realize that you have drifted away from some of your old friends. Life can feel hard at times. This is normal and expected during transitions or changes.
- Consider creating a schedule that helps you organize and balance your responsibilities. Think about healthy ways to help cope with stress. Try to find time (even 15 min) to relax: walk (or other form of exercise), journal, meditate, or listen to music.
- Reach out to someone if you are feeling more than just daily ups and downs or if your feelings or reactions are impacting and interfering with your daily life. Resources can include a friend, family member, clergy, sports coach, tutor, advisor, or your health care provider.

#### Self Worth

- Invest in yourself. Make time for yourself. Find ways to value your unique self. Find healthy ways to have fun.
- Do not be afraid to try something new. Keep in mind that everyone makes mistakes. Think about how you respond when you make a mistake. Do you judge yourself? Can you be kind to yourself? Mistakes can be an opportunity to take responsibility and learn
- Reflect on your support system. Nurture relationships with people that are supportive of you and your choices. Find time to connect with your friends and family. Ask for help when you need it.

## Safety

- Have a list of trusted adults you can call for help when faced with unsafe/uncomfortable situations.
- Wear hearing protection at loud events/concerts/job sites.
- Use protective gear for sports.
- Always wear a seat belt in the car. Avoid multi-tasking and distractions while driving (cell phone, texting, reading, etc.).
- Never drink and drive or get into a vehicle with an impaired driver.

# Digital Media Plan & Safety

- Although internet/cell phones are often an essential social and recreational outlet, they may pose risks to privacy and personal safety. Do not give out personal information, share passwords, or physically meet someone you have only "met" on the internet. Make safe and respectful decisions about what you post/text/ email. Do not text/email/share photos of anything you would not want forwarded to your parents. Remember that a sent text or photo cannot be "taken back". These decisions can affect your reputation, possibilities of future employment, and college opportunities.
- Do not tolerate cyber-bullying. Block the offender and report cyber-bullying to your Internet Service Provider. If you're in school and the offender is a student, you can report cyberbullying to school leaders.
- TV, electronic devices, and cell phones should be turned off an hour before bedtime to help avoid sleep issues.

# **Important Resources**

- Crisis Text Line: Text "Hello" to 741741
- Suicide and Crisis Lifeline: 988
- Poison Control Center: (800) 222-1222

#### Health

- What choices can you make to keep yourself safe and healthy?
   Eat breakfast every morning. Eat healthy meals with balanced
   nutrition, and avoid alcohol, caffeine, and nicotine to support
   your physical and emotional health. Drink plenty of water and
   include calcium and iron in your diet. Remember that food fuels
   the body and the brain.
- Daily physical activity and proper sleep (8-10 hours) help you reach your potential.
- Begin to plan your transition to a healthcare provider that cares for young adults. Consider on-campus care if in college, or a family practice doctor in the community. If you see a specialist, ask them for advice on transitioning to an adult specialist.

#### Relationships

- · Healthy relationships are built on respect.
- Support friends who choose not to use drugs, alcohol, tobacco, steroids, or diet pills.
- No one should ever try to force or convince you to be sexually active. Saying "no" is OK. Decide before you are in the moment how you define healthy boundaries for physical relationships. Be aware that substances are often involved in non-consensual sex. If you choose to be sexually active with a trusted partner, talk to your healthcare provider about your plan to prevent pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections.
- Do not allow someone to physically or verbally harm you. Always deal with conflict using communication and nonviolence.

#### **Overseas Travel**

If you will be traveling with your family overseas, talk with your doctor about travel questions, or you can request an online pretravel health consultation through our <u>eTravel Clinic</u>.

Acetaminophen (Tylenol) Dose Table May repeat every 4 hours.									
Child's Weight (pounds)	6-11 lbs	12-17 lbs	18-23 lbs	24-35 lbs	36-47 lbs	48-59 lbs	60-71 lbs	72-95 lbs	96+ lbs
Child's Weight (kilograms)	2.7-5.4 kg	5.5-7.9 kg	8-10.9 kg	11-15.9 kg	16-20.9 kg	21-26.5 kg	26.6-32.2 kg	32.7-43.1 kg	43.2+ kg
Liquid 160 mg/ 5 milliliters (mL)	1.25 mL	2.5 mL	3.75 mL	5 mL	7.5 mL	10 mL	12.5 mL	15 mL	20 mL
Liquid 160 mg/ 1 teaspoon (tsp)		½ tsp	¾ tsp	1 tsp	1½ tsp	2 tsp	2½ tsp	3 tsp	4 tsp
Chewable 160 mg tablets				1 tab	1½ tabs	2 tabs	2½ tabs	3 tabs	4 tabs
Adult 325 mg tablets						1 tab	1 tab	1½ tabs	2 tabs
Adult 500 mg tablets								1 tab	1 tab

Ibuprofen (Motrin, Advil) Dose Table Do not use in infants under 6 months of age. May repeat every 6 hours.								
Child's Weight (pounds)	12-17 lbs	18-23 lbs	24-35 lbs	36-47 lbs	48-59 lbs	60-71 lbs	72-95 lbs	96+ lbs
Child's Weight (kilograms)	5.5-7.9 kg	8-10.9 kg	11-15.9 kg	16-20.9 kg	21-26.5 kg	26.6-32.2 kg	32.7-43.1 kg	43.2+ kg
Infant Drops 50 mg/ 1.25 mL	1.25 mL	1.875 mL	2.5 mL	3.75 mL	5 mL			
Liquid 100 mg/ 5 milliliters (mL)	2.5 mL	3.75 mL	5 mL	7.5 mL	10 mL	12.5 mL	15 mL	20 mL
Liquid 100 mg/ 1 teaspoon (tsp)	½ tsp	¾ tsp	1 tsp	1½ tsp	2 tsp	2½ tsp	3 tsp	4 tsp
Chewable 100 mg tablets			1 tab	1½ tabs	2 tabs	2½ tabs	3 tabs	4 tabs
Junior-strength 100 mg tablets					2 tabs	2½ tabs	3 tabs	4 tabs
Adult 200 mg tablets					1 tab	1 tab	1½ tabs	2 tabs

# Questions or concerns?



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A nurse is available 24 hours a day. (425) 827-4600



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