

Register for the July Coffee & Chat webinar and join us on Wednesday, July 7 at 9 a.m.

- This month's webinar will be all about fun and games are you ready to play and win BIG?
- We'll review *The Summer of Wellness* activities and events.
- Plus, we'll give away some random wellness prizes!

# Wellness Wednesday



# **Invest In Your Health**

Investing in your health can deliver big returns in the future, such as living a longer, happier life. There's no time like today to get started!

Invest In	Ways to Invest	Your Returns
Regular Exercise	<ul> <li>Brisk walking</li> <li>Yoga</li> <li>Weightlifting</li> <li>Water aerobics</li> <li>Biking</li> <li>Dancing</li> <li>Get at least 150 minutes of moderate aerobic activity or 75 minutes of vigorous activity a week. Include muscle-strength training at least twice a week</li> <li>Generally, try to get 30 minutes of exercise per day</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Can help lower risk for eight types of cancer, heart disease, stroke, high blood pressure, high cholesterol and type 2 diabetes</li> <li>Helps maintain weight and improve bone health</li> <li>Can improve your sleep and quality of life</li> <li>Can help reduce the risk of dementia (including Alzheimer's disease) and depression</li> <li>May help reduce feelings of anxiety and depressed mood</li> </ul>
Healthy Eating	<ul> <li>Fruits and a variety of vegetables</li> <li>Whole grains</li> <li>Fat-free or low-fat dairy products</li> <li>A variety of protein: seafood, lean meats and poultry, eggs, beans, nuts, seeds and soy products</li> <li>Healthy fats such as olive oil</li> <li>Foods and beverages low in saturated fat, sodium and added sugars</li> <li>Smaller portion sizes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>May help reduce your risk of diseases such as heart disease, type 2 diabetes and cancer</li> <li>Can help you avoid becoming overweight and obese</li> <li>With less sodium, you can help reduce your risk of high blood pressure</li> </ul>
Health & Cancer Screenings	Health screenings: blood pressure, cholesterol, depression, diabetes, dental, etc.     Cancer screenings: colon and skin cancer     Cancer screenings for women: mammogram and Pap test for cervical cancer     Cancer screenings for men: prostate cancer	Can help prevent or find colon, breast, cervical, skin and prostate cancers  May help catch and treat other health problems Early detection could save your life

	Yearly well-visit with your primary care doctor	
Memory & Mental Health	<ul> <li>Get regular physical activity</li> <li>Stay connected to family and friends</li> <li>Stay mentally active – do crossword puzzles, learn something new etc.</li> <li>Get a good night's sleep</li> <li>Eat a healthy diet and limit alcohol if you drink</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>May help with memory loss as you age</li> <li>Can help reduce feelings of depressed mood and anxiety</li> <li>Helps keep your mind sharp</li> <li>Can help you prevent stress and depression</li> </ul>



### **Congratulations to winners of** *The Summer of Wellness* June raffle:

## **Apple Beats Flex Earbuds**

- Alana Gayle ~ State's Attorney's Office
- Uloaku Ekekwe ~ Health Department
- Courtney Haggins ~ Health Department
- Diona Roney-Guy ~ Office of Central Services

### \$50 Nike Gift Cards

- Mary Sanders ~ Dept. of Permitting Inspections & Enforcement
- Maleika Matthews ~ Dept. of Public Works and Transportation

Don't forget to participate in <u>The Summer of Wellness</u>. We've planned a summer that checks all of the boxes to elevate your total well-being. Explore *The Summer of Wellness* activities and sign up for those that will help motivate and move you! Plus, you'll be eligible to win cool wellness giveaways.

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