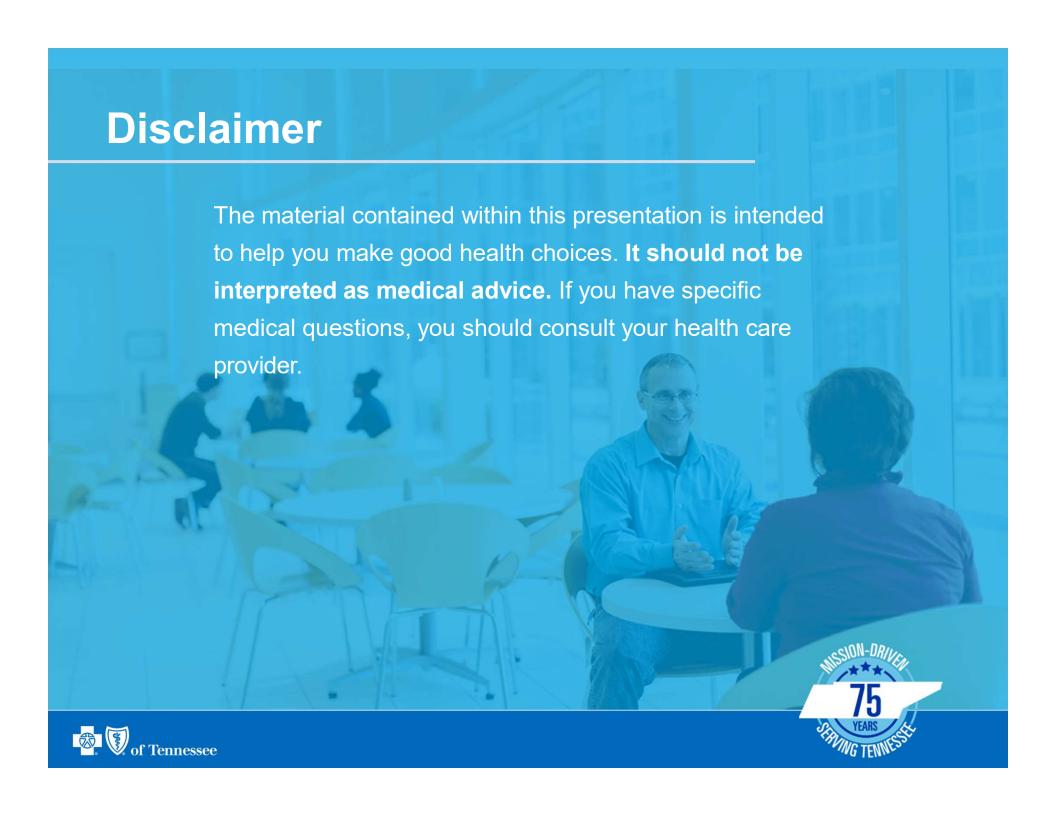


Heather Bumbalough, RDN, LDN, NBC-HWC









In today's session, we will discuss...

- Obesity statistics
- + Risk factors for and health risks associated with excess weight
- Weight loss recommendations
- + Health benefits of weight management
- + Lifestyle modifications for long-term weight management
- **+** Member Wellness Center resources for support



Statistics

More than 2 out of 3 adults in the US are considered overweight or obese.

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Roughly 42.4% of US adults are considered obese according to BMI.

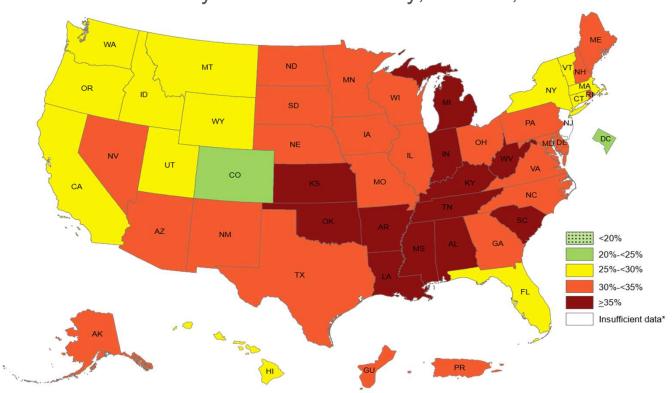
About 13.7 million children and adolescents fall into the obesity BMI category.

Source: Centers for Disease Control (CDC)



Statistics

Prevalence of Self-Reported Obesity Among U.S. Adults by State and Territory, BRFSS, 2019



^{*}Sample size <50, the relative standard error (dividing the standard error by the prevalence) ≥30%, or no data in a specific year.

Source: Centers for Disease Control (CDC)



What about Tennessee?

The Midwest (33.9%) and South (33.9%) have the highest prevalence of obesity.



Prevalence of self-reported obesity in Tennessee: 36.5%

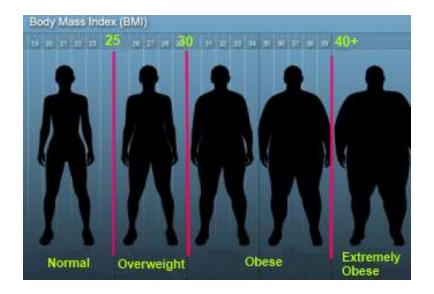
Tennessee is one of 12 states where 35% or more of adults have obesity.

Source: Centers for Disease Control (CDC)



Overweight vs. Obesity

- Overweight: an excess amount of body weight, which includes muscle, bone, fat and water
- Obesity: refers to an excessive amount of body fat





Body Mass Index (BMI)



- Used to assess body weight
- Calculated from a person's height and weight

BMI (kg/m²)	Classifications
<18.5	Underweight
18.5-24.9	Normal weight
25-29.9	Overweight
30-34.9	Obesity – Class I
35-39.9	Obesity – Class II
<u>></u> 40	Obesity – Class III



Waist Circumference



- Waist circumference is directly associated with abdominal fat
- A larger waist measurement means higher health risks
 - High blood pressure
 - High cholesterol
 - Heart disease
 - Type 2 diabetes
- Individuals who are more likely to develop obesity-related health problems:
 - Men with waist circumference > 40 inches
 - Women with waist circumference > 35 inches



Risk Factors and Causes of Obesity

Obesity is a complex condition that develops from a combination of a variety of factors:

- Genetics
- Environment
- Culture
- Behavior
- Disease and drugs



Health Risks of Obesity

People who have obesity are at increased risk for...

- Type 2 diabetes
- Heart disease and stroke
- High blood pressure
- Dyslipidemia
- Cancer (colon, rectum, uterus, etc.)
- Gallbladder disease
- Reproductive issues
- Osteoarthritis
- Sleep apnea and breathing problems
- Low quality of life
- Mental illness (clinical depression, anxiety, and other mental disorders)





Weight Management Recommendations

- Weight loss recommended for people with:
 - BMI greater than or equal to 30 (obese)
 - BMI of 25 to 29.9 (overweight) and have 2 or more risk factors
- Healthy rate of weight loss is up to 2 lbs. per week
- Weight loss of 5-10% of current body weight is likely to produce health benefits
- Weight loss maintenance through lifestyle modifications (nutrition, physical activity, etc.)



Weight Management Resources





- Lifestyle Health Coaching
- Self-Guided Programs
 - Achieving Your Healthy Weight
 - Maintaining Your Healthy Weight
- Weight Tracker

- Device Integration
 - Scales
 - Withings
 - iHealth
 - Fitbit
 - Garmin
- Challenges
 - Maintain a Healthy Weight
 - Workday Walkabout







Eating Habits

"Diets" don't work

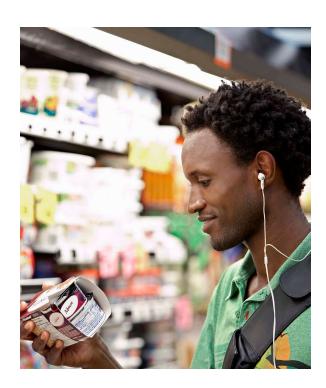
- Known to be unsustainable long-term
- Diet = typical eating habits, including food and beverages
- Diet ≠ quick weight loss hack
- Focus should be on creating an eating plan that fits you and your unique needs



Eating Habits

Should be individualized and account for...

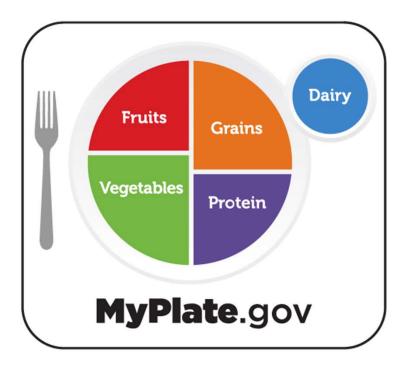
- Food preferences
- Culture
- Food accessibility
- Budget
- Lifestyle
- Activity level
- Health conditions
- Wellness goals



MyPlate Plan

How to build a healthy plate

- ½ plate of fruits/vegetables
- ½ plate of grains
- ¼ plate of lean protein
- 1 cup low-fat/non-fat dairy





Lifestyle Modifications



- Reduce daily calories (for weight loss)
- Use the MyPlate plan
- Increase fruit and vegetable intake
- Choose whole grains
- Eat 25-30 grams of fiber per day
- Eat 4-5 meals throughout the day
- Limit sweets
- Choose beverages wisely



Lifestyle Modifications



- Practice portion control
- Plan a weekly menu and grocery list
- Use healthy cooking techniques
- Learn healthier choices for eating out
- Keep a food diary or track on an app
- Find alternatives to emotional eating
- Eat mindfully or practice intuitive eating
- Ask someone close for support



Healthy Eating Resources

- Lifestyle Health Coaching
- Self-Guided Program
 - Nutrition For Better Health
- Nutrition Tracker
- Device Integration
 - Fitbit
 - MyFitnessPal
- Challenges
 - Snack Savvy
 - Eat Better Together



Physical Activity Guidelines



https://health.gov/sites/default/files/2019-09/Physical_Activity_Guidelines_2nd_edition.pdf



Benefits of Regular Physical Activity

- Lower risk of premature death
- Lower risk of high blood pressure
- Lower risk of type 2 diabetes
- Reduced abdominal obesity
- Improved sleep quality
- Improved lipid profile
- Increased bone density
- Weight management



Lifestyle Modifications



- Increase exercise amount
- Do 60-90 minutes of cardio 5 days/week
- Do at least 2 days/week of strength training
- Use a fitness or step tracker
- Find an exercise partner
- Explore forms of movement you enjoy



Physical Activity Resources

- Lifestyle Health Coaching
- Self-Guided Program
 - Enhancing Your Physical Activity
- Fitness Tracker
- Device Integration
 - Sync your fitness device
- Challenges
 - Up Your Sweat
 - · Let's Go Core
 - Give Me 10



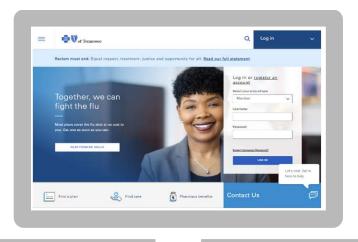
SMART Goals

- **S** Specific
- M Measurable
- A Attainable
- R Relevant
- T Time-Bound



Tools You Can Use

Through the Member Wellness Center on BlueAccessSM, we offer a variety of tools to help you on your wellness journey.



- Activities
 - Challenges
 - Self-Guided Programs
 - Trackers
- Lifestyle Health Coaching
 - Telephonic (1-800-818-8581, option 3)
 - Secure Messaging
- Blue 365 Member Discounts
 - Fitness Your Way
- WellTuned Blog
 - bcbstwelltuned.com



How to Access

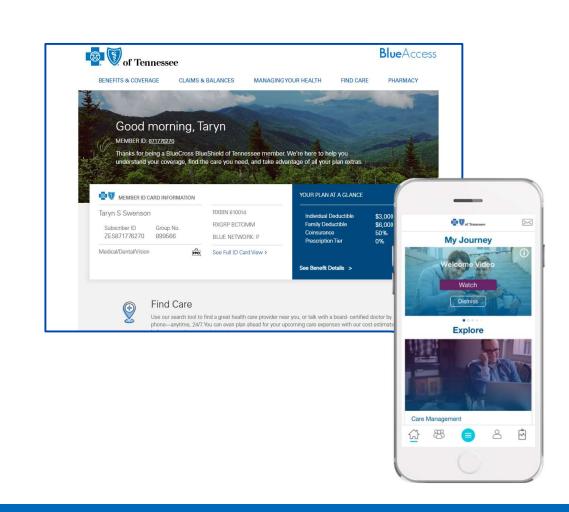
The Member Wellness Center is available on two platforms:

1. BCBST Website (BlueAccess)

 Register for an account using your BCBST member ID

2. AlwaysOn® Mobile App

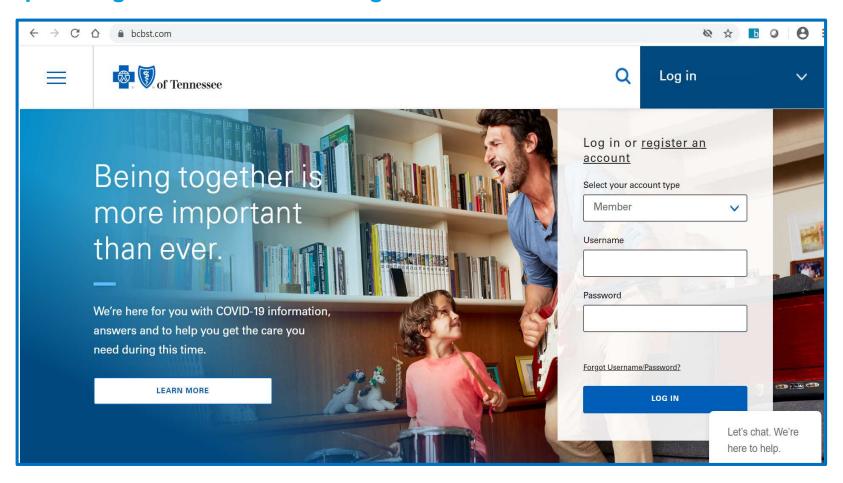
- Download app and create an account
- Not required to create a BlueAccess account to utilize





BCBST Website

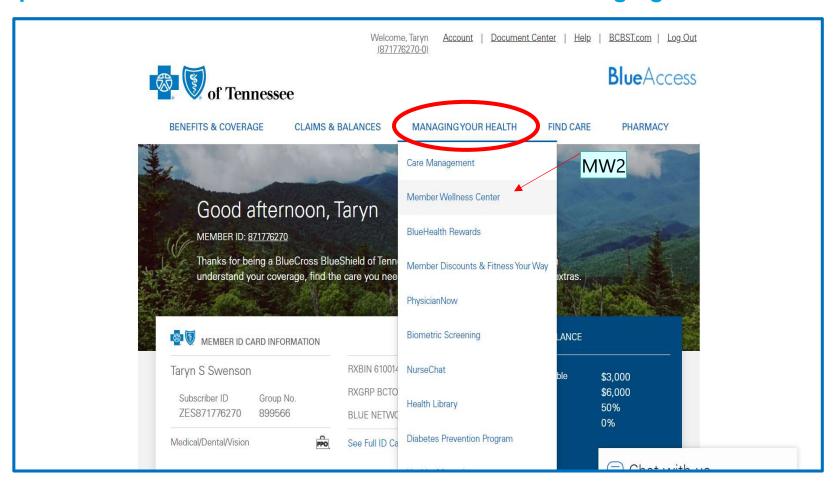
Step 1: Register an account or login to BlueAccess.





BCBST Website

Step 2: Find the Member Wellness Center under "Managing Your Health."





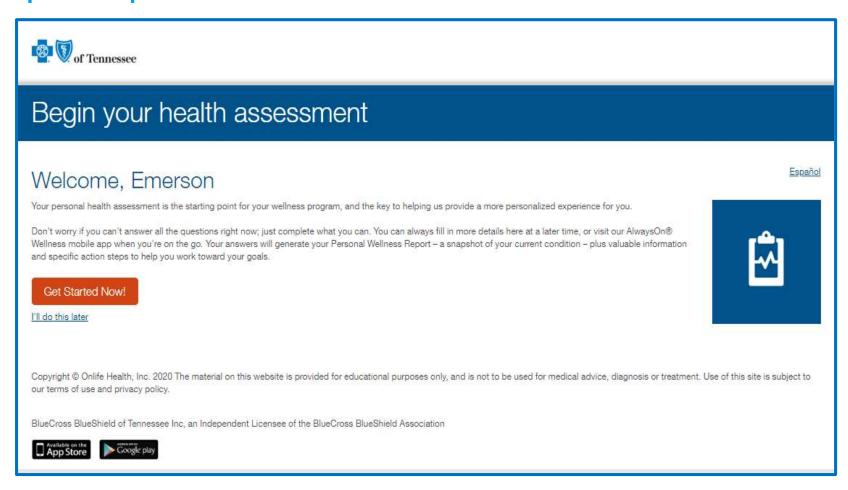
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Margaret Watson, 2/25/2021

Personal Health Assessment

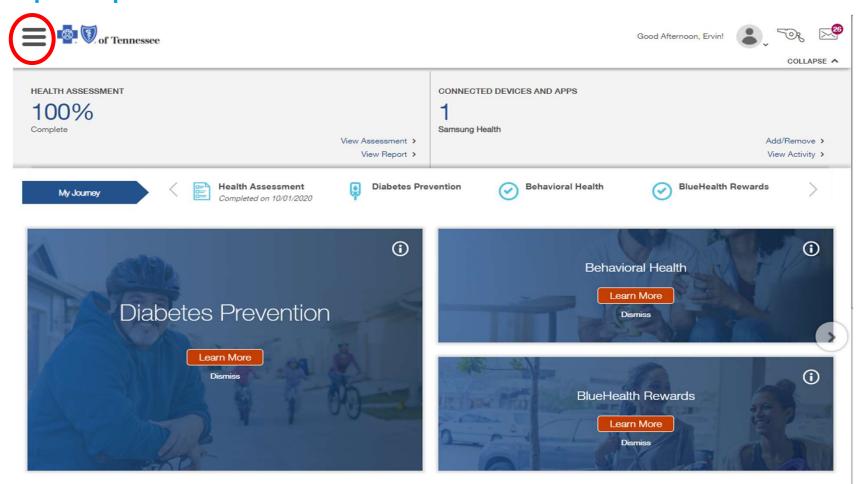
Step 3: Complete the Personal Health Assessment.





Member Wellness Center

Step 4: Explore the resources and tools on the Dashboard.





Challenges

Duration

1 week to 2 months

Topics

- Weight Management
 - Support from friends and family, weighing consistently
- Nutrition
 - · Eating mindfully, meal prep, drinking water, healthy snacking
- Physical Activity
 - Walking, biking, interval training, core strength, push-ups, yoga
- Stress Management
 - Breathing exercises, meditation, managing finances
- Sleep
 - Bedtime rituals, consistent bedtimes, sleeping at least 7 hours





Challenges

Give Me 10

Add 10 more minutes to each workout over the next month.

This month, add 10 more minutes to your workouts. If you work out five days a week, that's 50 more minutes of healthy exercise! Walk for 10 minutes after your work out. Take a refreshing 10-minute swim to cool down. No matter what the exercise, every minute counts! Your body and mind will thank you. Just do it!

GOAL: For the next month, add an extra 10 minutes to your daily workout.

Fitness: Adding More Activity to Your Life

Duration: 30 Days

Category: Physical activity



Eat Better Together

Eating together provides many benefits for the entire family.

Eating together as a family benefits everyone gathered at the table. Children who are part of frequent family meals are more likely to eat healthier foods and less likely to be overweight. They also tend to have higher self-esteem and do better in school. There are benefits for parents too, including having more time to connect with their kids!

Unfortunately, our busy, fast-paced lives present many obstacles to family mealtimes.

GOAL: For the next six weeks, share at least one family meal at home each day.

Healthy Eating for Children

Duration: 45 Days

Category: Nutrition



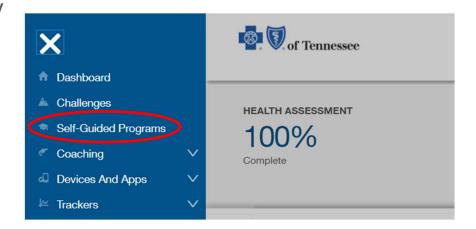
Self-Guided Programs

Duration

- Interactive Programs: 6 weeks
- Educational Programs: at your own pace

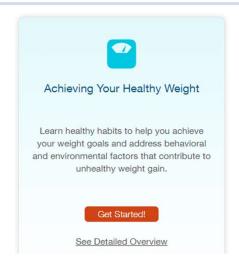
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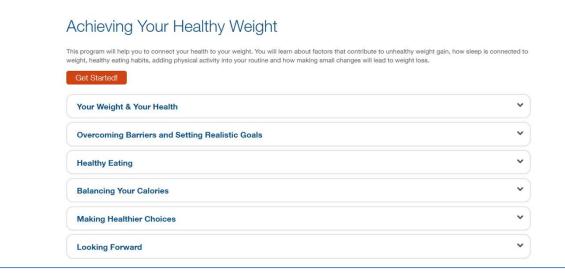
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- Enhancing Your Physical Activity
- Nutrition For Better Health
- Managing Your Stress
- Improving Your Sleep
- Preventing Diabetes

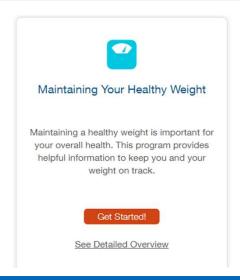




Self-Guided Programs







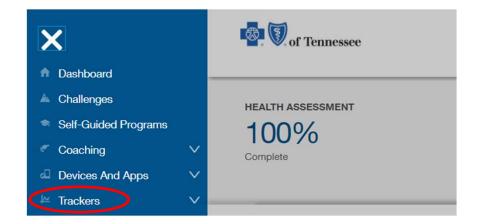


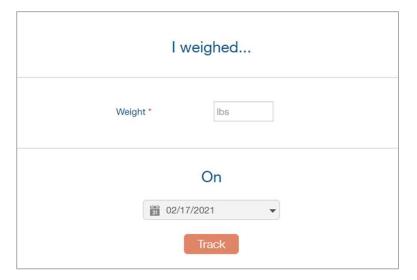


Trackers

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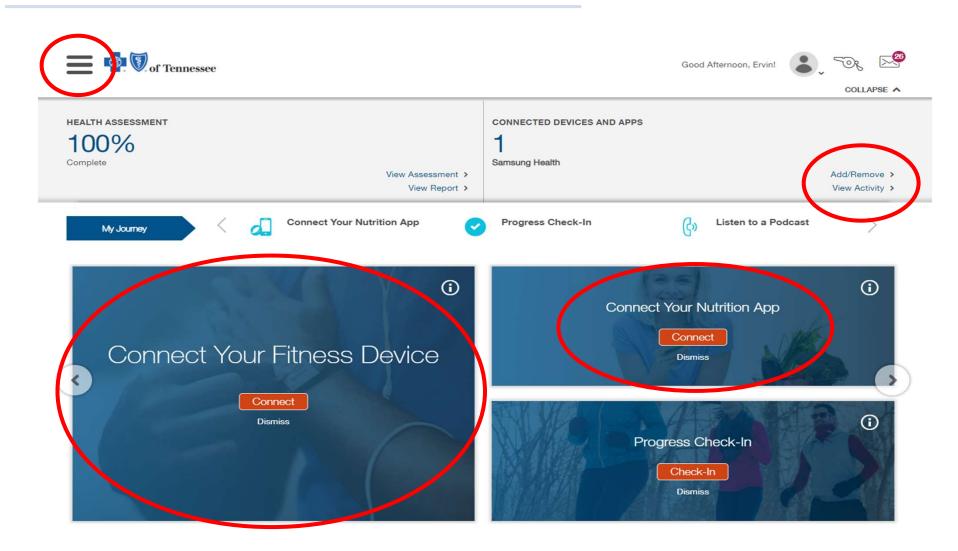
- Weight
- Physical Activity
- Nutrition
- Water
- Stress
- Sleep
- Cholesterol
- Blood Pressure
- Oral Health
- Quit Tobacco







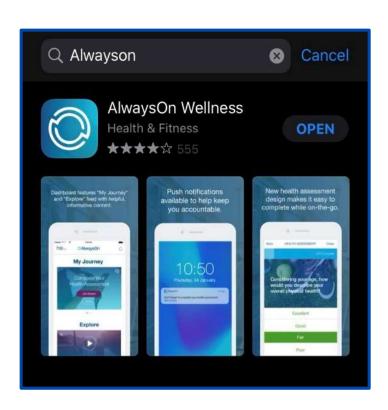
Connect Devices and Apps





AlwaysOn® Wellness App

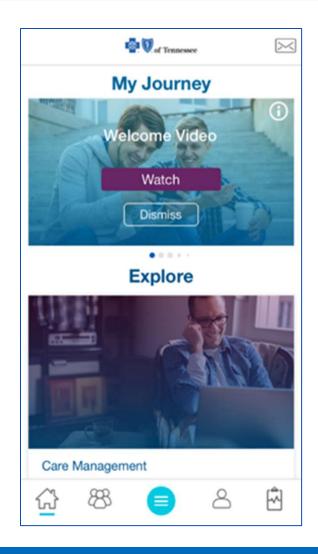
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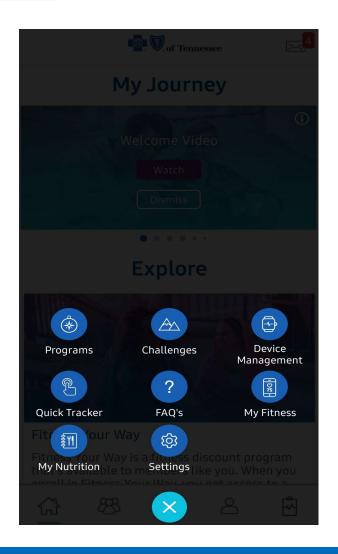






AlwaysOn® Wellness App







Lifestyle Health Coaching

- Weight Management
- Stress Management
- Tobacco Cessation
- Blood Pressure
- Cholesterol
- Nutrition
- Fitness



Lifestyle Health Coaching

Telephonic

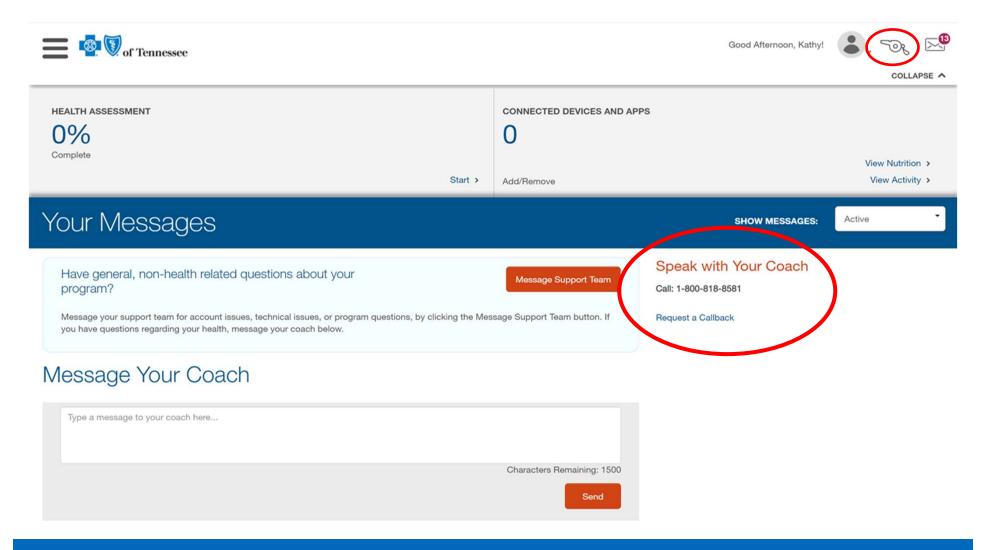
- 1-800-818-8581, option 3 for Lifestyle Health Coaching
- Monday-Friday from 7am-10pm CST, Saturday from 9am-4pm CST

Secure Messaging

- Member Wellness Center
- AlwaysOn® Wellness App



Lifestyle Health Coaching





Device Integration





















withings



Device Integration

Member Services:

1-800-818-8581 (option 5)

HEALTH ASSESSMENT

100%

Complete

View Assessment >

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CONNECTED DEVICES AND APPS

Samsung Health

Add/Remove >

View Activity >

Browse and Connect Apps

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Start Tracking Your Activity Today

Exercise and Nutrition are two of the most powerful things you can do to improve your health. Tracking allows you to set goals and monitor your progress. Accomplishing your health and wellness goals has never been easier.

Choose from the devices and apps below to start tracking today!

View a list of our compatible devices and apps. (Opens up in new window)



WATCH THE VIDEO TO LEARN MORE ABOUT NUTRITION TRACKING



Trusted Websites

- www.cdc.gov/healthyweight
 - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- www.nih.gov
 - National Institutes of Health (NIH)
- www.eatright.org
 - Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
- www.myplate.gov
 - USDA, MyPlate
- www.cdc.gov/physicalactivity/basics/adults/index.htm
 - CDC physical activity guidelines
- www.blue365deals.com
 - Health and wellness discounts for Blue members



Wellness Activity Checklist: Q1

Directions: To be entered into the raffle for a \$25 gift card

- Participate in at least 2 of the activities listed below
- 2. Complete this checklist
- 3. Send checklist via email to Jane Mansfield by 4/15/21 Once the raffle is drawn the 5 winners will be notified.

	Attend	Q1	Wellness	Webinar
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- □ Register for BlueAccess via BCBST.com*
 - ☐ If you've already registered, log in and explore the portal
- □ Complete a Personal Health Assessment*
- Read at least 1 WellTuned Blog article
 - Losing Weight Successfully with Tracking apps
 - What Your Weight Can Tell You About Your Health
 - ☐ How Much Weight To Lose to Improve Your Health
- **BONUS:** Participate in Telephonic Lifestyle Health Coaching*
 - □ Earn 1 additional raffle entry per session completed (sessions will be

 confirmed by BCBST)

 *only available to BCBST Medical subscribers and spouses

If you did not receive this checklist via email, you can request a copy from Amber Donegan:
adonegan@dsdc.org



Any questions?



Thank You

