

11 Smartest Fall Health Tips to Stay Well This Season

With the changing of seasons comes the need to make lifestyle changes, too. It's a great time to reset your health routines and continue healthy habits. A cornerstone of healthy fall habits will keep your immunity strong and your mind clear as you wrap up another busy year. Here we share 11 tips for keeping you and your team healthy all fall long.

Tip #1: Moisturize

Dry fall air can suck the moisture out of your skin, causing excessive dryness and cracks. After showering and throughout the day, be sure to moisturize with lotion to prevent skin issues like infections due to cracking.



Tip #2: Check Safety Alarms

Since most house fires increase during the fall and winter, remind employees to check both their smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms to ensure they're in working order. CO poisoning in particular can cause symptoms to come and go including chest pain, dizziness, and headaches.



Tip #3: Get a Flu Shot

Before the end of October, opt to get your full shot to keep influenza away. Aside from keeping the flu away, new research shows a flu shot may also lower stroke risk by as much as 12 percent.



Tip #4: Mask Up Indoors

Those living in medium-to-high risk areas where Covid is spreading may want to continue masking up indoors. For the immune-compromised, it's also a good idea to mask up during cold and flu season as an extra precaution.



Tip #5: Focus on Financial Wellness

With the holidays coming up, it's easy to fall into the trap of spending too much. This fall, start looking at ways to regain financial stability. This may mean working with a financial advisor and/or therapist to start conversations about what that looks like to keep spending habits in check.



Tip #6: Book Those Health Appointments

Consider booking your annual eye exam, physical, and other specialist appointments now. The end of the year tends to get busy for many providers as people try to snag appointments in-between holidays.



Tip #7: Consume Healthy Foods

Unique in-season produce is available starting now. Opt to fill your plate with fibrous pumpkin, sweet pears, kale, beets, and more. Roasting squashes and root veggies make for an excellent side dish.



Tip #8: Try Crockpot Meals

Cut meal time prep down by using crockpot meals that are well-planned and nutritious. Lower cooking temperatures may help preserve nutrients that can be lost when food is cooked too fast in high heat.



Tip #9: Take Time for Self-Care

Make it a priority to take time for yourself. Doing so will keep you refreshed and ready to spend time doing your best at work and giving your full attention to loved ones. Remember, self-care is far from selfish!



Tip #10: Get Active Outside

Whether you enjoy apple picking, hiking, running, or even yard work, spend time outdoors for a mental and physical boost this fall.



Tip #11: Take Vitamin D

In colder climates, a lack of sunshine exposure can cause vitamin D levels to plummet. Consider adding a vitamin D supplement to your diet if you don't intake a lot through cereal, soy milk, orange juice or yogurt. A doc can perform a blood test to check your levels.

