Before your doctor's appointment

Prepare to get the most out of your visit!



Use this checklist to mark the topics most important to you right now. Fill it out ahead of time. Then, bring this sheet — plus a list of your prescription and over-the-counter medications — to the appointment with you.

What I want to talk about:

- □ New or ongoing symptoms
- Mental health concerns (e.g., stress, anxiety, depression)
- □ Any falls or balance issues
- □ Incontinence/bladder control
- Hearing trouble
- Memory concerns
- □ Sleep problems or fatigue
- Weight changes

- Preventive screenings

 (colonoscopy/other cancer screenings, bone density, diabetes)
- Vaccinations (e.g., flu, shingles, COVID-19)
- Recent medication changes
- Concerns about medication side effects
- Prescription refills needed
- Other concerns

Add extra details here about the checked-off items above. How are you feeling? What are your specific concerns? Jot down anything you don't want to forget.

Notes:



At your doctor's appointment, make an action plan!

Work with your primary care provider to fill in these details. Don't leave without understanding your care plan and what you need to do next.

Tests or screenings I need:	
Test name:	Test name:
Who will schedule it (me, my provider or another office): If I need to schedule it, here's the number to call:	Who will schedule it (me, my provider or another office): If I need to schedule it, here's the number to call:
Changes to my medications: (new prescriptions or dosage adjustments)	
Medication name:	Medication name:
New dose:	New dose:
When to take it:	When to take it:
Other takeaways: (such as diet, exercise, sleep or other recommendations)	
Upcoming appointments:	
Provider:	Provider:
Reason:	Reason:

STOP! Do you still have questions? Ask them now before you leave the doctor's office!

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