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IMMUNIZATION PROTECTS ALL OF US



Don't Wait. Vaccinate!

National Immunization **Awareness Month**

Vaccines are our best protection against a number of serious, and sometimes deadly, diseases. Make sure you and your loved ones are upto-date on recommended vaccines.

Everyone should get a flu vaccine every year before the end of October, if possible.

- ✓ Adults need a Td vaccine every ten years.
- ✓Healthy adults 50 years and older should get shingles vaccine.
- ✓ Adults 65 years or older need one dose of pneumococcal conjugate vaccine followed by one dose of pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine.
- ✓ Adults younger than 65 years who have certain health conditions like heart disease, diabetes, cancer, or HIV should also get one or both of these vaccines.

✓ Adults may need other vaccines based on health conditions, job, lifestyle, or travel habits.

Protect yourself and the ones you love: *talk to* your healthcare professional about which vaccines are right for you and your family. SOURCE: CDC.GOV



DON'T OVERLOOK THESE **RECOMMENDATIONS:** CONTACT IFNS WEAR AND CARE

Poor contact lens wear and care habits can ruin your look with red eyes and lead to painful infections with lasting damage.

Your Habits

- ✓ Give your eyes a break.
- ✓ Never sleep in contacts (unless prescribed by your eye doctor).
- ✓ Keep all water away from contacts.

Your Supplies

- ✓ Replace contacts as recommended by your eye doctor.
- Replace your case at least once every 3 months.
- ✓ Dump out used solution from the case and clean it with fresh solution — never water — everyday.

Your Eve Doctor

- ✓ Visit your eye doctor at least once a year.
- Remove contacts immediately and call your eye doctor if you have pain or discomfort.

Be Prepared

Carry a backup pair of glasses with a current prescription in case you have to take out your contacts. SOURCE: CDC.GOV

CLEAN HANDS KEEP YOU HEALTHY

- Wash your hands with soap and water for at least
- 20 seconds. That is singing "Happy Birthday" twice!

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PREVENT OPIOID MISUSE

OPIOD MISUSE **Prevention Day** August 30

If you are prescribed opioids for your pain, you have the following responsibilities to help ensure you are getting the safest, most effective pain management possible.

✓ Work with your doctor to create a plan on how to manage your pain

- Know your options and consider ways to manage your pain that that do not include opioids.
- Talk to your doctor about any and all side effects and concerns.
- Make the most informed decision with your doctor.
- Follow up regularly with your doctor.
- Take and Store Opioids Properly
- Never take prescription opioids in greater amounts or more often than prescribed.
- Always let your doctor know about any side effects or concerns you may have about using opioids.
- Avoid taking opioids with alcohol and other substances or medications. It is very dangerous to combine opioids with other drugs, especially those that cause drowsiness.
- Store prescription opioids in a secure place, out of reach of others (including children, family, friends, and visitors).
- If you have unused prescription opioids at the end of your treatment, find your community drug take-back program or your pharmacy mail-back program, or flush them down the toilet, following guidance from the Food and Drug Administration

Do not share or sell your prescription opioids. SOURCE: CDC.GOV

66 A person always doing his or her best becomes a natural leader, just by example.

WEAR A MASK PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING

🌣 Reminders for Your Office Visit 🌣

- Bring your **prescription bottles** or **list of medication** to your visit.
- Do you need **medication refills**? Tell us at your office visit.
- Did you let us know if you have any change(s) in your personal information such as address, phone number and insurance?
- Do you need a **Referral for a Specialist** or do you need **further** testing outside of our office? You may need to call your insurance plan to verify your coverage.
- Did you check if your plan covers Well care or a Physical?
- □ Are you up-to-date on your screenings for Mammogram and Colonoscopy? Are you due for one? Ask your MD.
- □ Are you being referred by your PCP to get any radiology test(s)? If so, please let us know in case you need a **Pre-certification**.
- □ Is your Immunization record up to date? Please update us.
- □ Are you **Pre-Diabetic**? Have you discussed this with your MD?
- Did you get a **Summary of your Visit** today? If not, please ask for it before leaving.
- Do you need to make a **Follow-up appointment**? **Please stop** at Check-out and make an appointment before you leave.

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How to Safely Wear and Take Off a Cloth Face Covering

Accessible: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html

WEAR YOUR FACE COVERING CORRECTLY

- Wash your hands before putting on your face covering
- Put it over your nose and mouth and secure it under your chin
- Try to fit it snugly against the sides of your face
- Make sure you can breathe easily
- Do not place a mask on a child younger than 2





USE THE FACE COVERING TO HELP PROTECT OTHERS

- Wear cloth face coverings in public settings and when around people who don't live in your household, especially when other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain
- Don't put the covering around your neck or up on your forehead
- Don't touch the face covering, and, if you do, clean your hands

FOLLOW EVERYDAY HEALTH HABITS

- Stay at least 6 feet away from others
- Avoid contact with people who are sick
- Wash your hands often, with soap and water, for at least 20 seconds each time
- Use hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available





TAKE OFF YOUR CLOTH FACE COVERING CAREFULLY, WHEN YOU'RE HOME

- Untie the strings behind your head or stretch the ear loops
- Handle only by the ear loops or ties
- · Fold outside corners together
- Place covering in the washing machine
- Wash your hands with soap and water

Cloth face coverings are not surgical masks or N-95 respirators, both of which should be saved for health care workers and other medical first responders.

For instructions on making a cloth face covering, see:

cdc.gov/coronavirus



Support Groups @ Englewood Hospital

Englewood Hospital Events Calendar

Please check Englewood Hospital's Calendar of Events link for upcoming events at

https://www.englewoodhealth.org/calendar-events-classes

Bariatric/Weight Loss Surgery Support Group

A free program for patients who have experienced the surgical solution to weight loss. If you are considering surgery, you are also welcome to join the group. The support group meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 6pm.

Bereavement Support Group

VNA of Englewood: Bereavement Support Group runs on Thursdays from 12pm – 1:30 pm at Englewood Hospital. Please check with the hospital main desk for the location on each Thursday. For additional information, please call Erica DiFrancisco at 201-894-333, group facilitator.

Cancer Support:

Breast Cancer Support Group

Relax your mind as you connect with other women living with breast cancer. Open to all women experiencing any stage of breast cancer. First timers should call Cathy Verhulst at 201-608-2162 prior to attending. The support group meets the first and third Friday of every month at 10:30 am.

Oral, Head and Neck Cancer Support Group

SPOHNC (Support for People with Oral, Head and Neck Cancer), a patient directed, self-help organization founded in 1991 by an oral cancer survivor. It is non-profit organization dedicated to meeting the emotional, physical and humanistic needs of oral head and neck cancer patients and their care givers. Bergen County Chapter meets from 7pm – 8:30pm at Englewood Hospital on the fourth Wednesday of the month in conference room "A". For inquiries, please contact Patrick Taaffee at 201-931-6394.

Cardiac – Visiting Hearts: A Support Program for Cardiac Patients

New patients are informed of the "Visiting Hearts" program prior to their day of Pre-Admission Testing. For more information, please call Robyn Giaccone at 201-894-3950.

Diabetes Education

A free program is open to individuals and their families. This group allows participants to share their experiences, learn from others and discuss how they live with diabetes. Guest speakers are often featured. This group meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month from 7pm – 8:30pm. (No meetings in July and August). An Insulin Pump Support Group is held quarterly for those using an insulin pump, those interested in pump therapy, and those using multiple daily injections. To schedule an appointment or for additional information, please call 201-894-3335.

Support Groups @ Englewood Hospital

Families Anonymous

Families Anonymous is a group of concerned relatives and friends whose lives have been adversely affected by a loved one's addiction to alcohol, drugs or related behavioral problems. All who have experienced the effects of a loved one's addiction are welcome. The group meets at Englewood Hospital every Friday at 7:30pm. Call 917-836-3672 or email <u>gerilam@msn.com</u> for more information.

Neuropathy Support Group

This group meets on the third Thursday of March, April, May September, October and November at 7pm. Call Rich Booz at 201-587-1250, Mary Robertson at 973-226-1535, Tom McCullum at 201-692-9313 or Dean Lewis at 631-223-8416 for additional information.

Post Partum Services / Wellness Wednesdays

You and your newborn child are invited to attend our group, focused on adjustment to motherhood, coping with stress, and adapting to new family dynamics. A licensed clinical social worker facilitates the sessions, which provide comfort, emotional support, information, and referrals to resources for new moms who are adjusting to parenthood. The group meets every Wednesday at 1pm. Registration is required. Call 201-894-3092.

Support Groups @ Holy Name Medical Center

Free Support Groups meet monthly. To register call 1-877-465-9626, unless otherwise noted.

Bariatric Support Group

Support Group for Lap-band or Gastric Bypass patients Location: Conference Room "1", Marian Hall Holy Name Medical Center. For additional information, please call 201-833-3336

Bereavement Support

Call 201-833-3000 ext 7580 for more information.

Breast Cancer Support and Discussion Group

The Breast Cancer Support and Discussion Group is a vehicle for information, encouragement and support that is facilitated by two clinical psychologists. The support group meets on the first and third Wednesday of every month at 5:30pm – 6:30pm. Call 201-227-6008 for additional information. Registration is encouraged, but not required. Walk-ins are welcome.

Cancer Support Group

The Cancer Support Group provides an opportunity to meet with people who understand how you feel and what you are going through in a way that others cannot. The support group meets on the second and fourth Tuesday at 4:00pm – 5:00pm. The meetings take place in the Marian Hall Conference Center, Holy Name Medical Center. For additional information, please call 201-227-6008.

Support Groups @ Holy Name Medical Center

Men Living with Cancer Support Group

The Men Living with Cancer Support Group is open to men with the diagnosis of cancer at any time during treatment or post-therapy. For additional information, please call 201-833-3392.

Support for Korean Cancer Patients

The Support group meets at Medical Affairs Conference Room, Holy Name Medical Center on the first Friday of every month at 10am – 12pm. For additional information, please call Hei Young Yoon at 201-833-3332.

Pregnancy and Newborn Loss Support Group

The support group meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 8:00pm. For additional information, please call 201-724-4093.

Blood Drive at Holy Name Medical Center

You can sign up for the blood drives online: <u>http://holyname.org/BloodDrive/</u>

Local Support Group - Miscellaneous

Dental Care at Southeast for Independent Living (SESCIL)

The Southeast Senior Center for Independent Living has fully equipped dental facility with a certified licensed dentist, a dental coordinator, and two dental hygienists, excellent equipment and a clean environment. Call the Center for an appointment. There is an annual membership fee which entitles the member not only to receive dental care at cost but includes participation in all other class offerings. The Center, 228 Grand Avenue, Englewood, is handicapped accessible with ample parking. For more information, call 201-569-4080 or <u>visit www.SESCIL.org</u>

Library Offers Continuing Education Courses Online

Teaneck Public Library is offering Universal Class, an online resource of more than 500 continuing education courses, to all Teaneck Public card holders. A wide range of subjects are offered including art, photography, office skills, test preparation, career training, as well as home schooling, self-help and science. Courses are accessible online 24/7 with real instructors, assignments and grades. Up to five courses may be taken at a time. Participants who successfully complete a course will be issued a "Certified of Course" Completion. To access the program, go to the library's website at <u>www.teaneck.org</u> and click on "universal class" button on the right side. For more information, call the Reference Department 201-837-4171.

Local Support Group - Miscellaneous

The Township of Teaneck Provides Free Transportation for Residents who are 65

or older and/or Disabled

This service is for medical appointments, food shopping and small errands (with Teaneck, Hackensack, Englewood, and fringes of Bogota, Bergenfield and River Edge). Call 201-837-7130 ext 7040 for more information.

Jewish Family Services at 201-837-9090 provides the following services:

- Kosher Meals on Wheels (at home delivery of meals)
- Care Management, support and advocacy
- Friendly Visitor, Adopt a Bubbe and Telephone Reassurance Volunteer programs
- Joy Lunch Club
- Elder Care Workshop Series

The Teaneck Fire Department offers all Teaneck Residents the Free Service of a

"Good Morning" Wake-up Call

This service is particularly appropriate for those facing significant illness, frailty/balance issues, and/or are shut-ins. Call Lt. David Barrett or Lt. Richard Burchell at 201-837-2085 to activate this service. Calls can be pre-empted by the recipient at any time for convenience.

The Gallen Adult Day Care Center at the Jewish Home at Rockleigh will hold a

Caregiver support group every first Wednesday of the month, 10am – 11:30 am at 10 Link Drive, Rockleigh, NJ – Social Hall 1. FREE. For additional information, please call Social Worker Shelley at 201-784-1414 ext. 5340. Share concerns in an informative group discussion and learn about available resources for you and your loved one.

Treatment Services

Seabrook House – Helping Families Find the Courage to Recover

Seabrook House is multi-level premier inpatient and outpatient facility, internationally recognized, and accredited by CARF (Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Services), alcohol and drug rehabilitation center. Each facility offers every level of inpatient and outpatient care from partial through one-on-one counseling.

They offer the following services: Withdrawal Management (Detoxification), Residential Treatment, Partial Hospitalization, and Intensive Outpatient. They also offer Extended Care Programs: Seabrook House West, Changes for Women/Young Adult Program, Recovery Enhancement Program. They offer "The Family Matrix Program", a three-day, structured experience designed to help families begin to heal and strengthen the bonds strained by addiction. They provide Holistic Approaches to Treatment such as Equin Therapy, Music Therapy, Yoga, Acupuncture, and many more. Please call for details. Seabrook House accepts many health insurance programs.

Treatment is covered by most insurances. For more information, visit <u>www.Seabrookhouse.org</u> or call 800-761-7575 ext. 1515

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Safe Food Handling: What You Need to Know



The food supply in the United States is among the safest in the world. However, when certain disease-causing bacteria or pathogens contaminate food, they can cause foodborne illness, often called "food poisoning." The Federal government estimates that there are about 48 million cases of foodborne illness annually – the equivalent of sickening 1 in 6 Americans each year. And each year, these illnesses result in an estimated 128,000 hospitalizations and 3,000 deaths.

Know the Symptoms

Consuming dangerous foodborne bacteria will usually cause illness within 1 to 3 days of eating the contaminated food. However, sickness can also occur within 20 minutes or up to 6 weeks later. Symptoms of foodborne illness can include: vomiting, diarrhea, and abdominal pain – and flu-like symptoms, such as fever, headache, and body ache.

Handle Foods Safely

Although most healthy people will recover from a foodborne illness within a short period of time, some can develop chronic, severe, or even life-threatening health problems. In addition, some people are at a higher risk for developing foodborne illness, including pregnant women, young children, older adults, and people with weakened immune systems (such as transplant patients and individuals with HIV/AIDS, cancer, or diabetes). To keep your family safer from food poisoning, follow these four simple steps: clean, separate, cook, and chill.

CLEAN

Wash hands and surfaces often

- Wash your hands with warm water and soap for at least 20 seconds before and after handling food and after using the bathroom, changing diapers, and handling pets.
- Wash your cutting boards, dishes, utensils, and counter tops with hot soapy water after preparing each food item.
- Consider using paper towels to clean up kitchen surfaces. If you use cloth towels, launder them often in the hot cycle.
- Rinse fresh fruits and vegetables under running tap water, including those with skins and rinds that are not eaten. Scrub firm produce with a clean produce brush.
- With canned goods, remember to clean lids before opening.

SEPARATE

Separate raw meats from other foods

- Separate raw meat, poultry, seafood, and eggs from other foods in your grocery shopping cart, grocery bags, and refrigerator.
- Use one cutting board for fresh produce and a separate one for raw meat, poultry, and seafood.
- Never place cooked food on a plate that previously held raw meat, poultry, seafood, or eggs unless the plate has been washed in hot, soapy water.
- Don't reuse marinades used on raw foods unless you bring them to a boil first.

F C F A C T S

COOK Cook to the right temperature

- Color and texture are unreliable indicators of safety. Using a food thermometer is the only way to ensure the safety of meat, poultry, seafood, and egg products for all cooking methods. These foods must be cooked to a safe minimum internal temperature to destroy any harmful bacteria.
- Cook eggs until the yolk and white are firm. Only use recipes in which eggs are cooked or heated thoroughly.
- When cooking in a microwave oven, cover food, stir, and rotate for even cooking. If there is no turntable, rotate the dish by hand once or twice during cooking. Always allow standing time, which completes the cooking, before checking the internal temperature with a food thermometer.
- Bring sauces, soups and gravy to a boil when reheating.

Safe Minimium Internal Temperatures as measured with a food thermometer

| Beef, Pork, Veal, and Lamb | 145 °F with a 3 minute |
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| (chops, roasts, steaks) | rest time |
| Ground Meat | 160 °F |
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| Ham, uncooked | 145 °F with a 3 minute |
| (fresh or smoked) | rest time |
| Ham, fully cooked (to reheat) | 140 °F |
| Poultry (ground, parts, whole, | 165 °F |
| and stuffing) | |
| Eggs | Cook until yolk and white |
| | are firm |
| Egg Dishes | 160 °F |
| Fin Fish | 145 °F or flesh is opaque |
| | and separates easily |
| | with a fork |
| Shrimp, Lobster, and Crabs | Flesh is pearly and opaque |
| Clams, Oysters, and Mussels | Shells open during cooking |
| Scallops | Flesh is milky white or |
| | opaque and firm |
| Leftovers and Casseroles | 165 °F |
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CHILL

- Use an appliance thermometer to be sure the temperature is consistently 40° F or below and the freezer temperature is 0° F or below.
- Refrigerate or freeze meat, poultry, eggs, seafood, and other perishables within 2 hours of cooking or purchasing. Refrigerate within 1 hour if the temperature outside is above 90° F.
- Never thaw food at room temperature, such as on the counter top. There are three safe ways to defrost food: in the refrigerator, in cold water, and in the microwave. Food thawed in cold water or in the microwave should be cooked immediately.
- 3 Always marinate food in the refrigerator.
- Divide large amounts of leftovers into shallow containers for quicker cooling in the refrigerator.



Report a Problem

If you think that you or a family member has a foodborne illness, contact your **healthcare provider**

immediately. Also, **report** the suspected foodborne illness to FDA in either of these ways:

- Contact the Consumer Complaint Coordinator in your area. Locate a coordinator here: http://www. fda.gov/Safety/ReportaProblem/ ConsumerComplaintCoordinators
- Contact MedWatch, FDA's Safety Information and Adverse Event Reporting Program:

By Phone: 1-800-FDA-1088

Online: File a voluntary report at http://www.fda.gov/medwatch

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For more information, contact the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition's Food and Cosmetic Information Center at **1-888-SAFEFOOD** (toll free), Monday through Friday 10 AM to 4 PM ET (except Thursdays from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM ET and Federal holidays). Or, visit the FDA website at **http://www.fda.gov/educationresourcelibrary**