



Today's Agenda

- I. Welcome & Introductions
- II. Your American Heart Association
 - I. Mission and 2024 Impact Goal
 - II. Local Community Impact Priorities
 - III. EmPOWERED to Serve

III. Why BP Control and How You Can Help

- I. AHA Blood Pressure Guidelines
- II. The "How"
- III. Get Down with Your Blood Pressure
- IV. Q&A Discussion

2024 IMPACT GOAL

Every person deserves the opportunity for a full, healthy life. As **champions for health equity***, by 2024, the American Heart Association will advance cardiovascular health for all, including identifying and removing barriers to health care access and quality.

Addressing the drivers of health disparities, including the social determinants of health, structural racism, and rural health inequities, is the only way to truly achieve equitable health and well-being for all.



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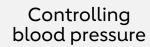


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Reducing risk for women



Eliminating tobacco use & vaping









The Social Determinants of Health

LOCAL COMMUNITY IMPACT FOCUS AREAS

HAVE FAITH IN HEART





Welcome

- What is EmPOWERED to Serve™?
- Program Topic and Urgent Community Need

Health Lesson

- Understand Your Risk & Know the Signs
- · Start Your Journey to Better Health
- Join Research Goes Red & AHA's Go Red for Women Movement

Closing Thoughts

- Your Voice Matters
- Online Resources



Amgen proudly supports the American Heart Association's EmPOWERED to Serve Initiative













KNOW YOUR NUMBERS

Blood Pressure Categories



BLOOD PRESSURE CATEGORY	SYSTOLIC mm Hg (upper number)		DIASTOLIC mm Hg (lower number)
NORMAL	LESS THAN 120	and	LESS THAN 80
ELEVATED	120-129	and	LESS THAN 80
HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE (HYPERTENSION) STAGE 1	130-139	or	80-89
HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE (HYPERTENSION) STAGE 2	140 OR HIGHER	or	90 OR HIGHER
HYPERTENSIVE CRISIS (consult your doctor immediately)	HIGHER THAN 180	and/or	HIGHER THAN 120

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SELF-MEASURED BP





MEDICATION





LOWER YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE:

MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR APPOINTMENT WITH A HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL.



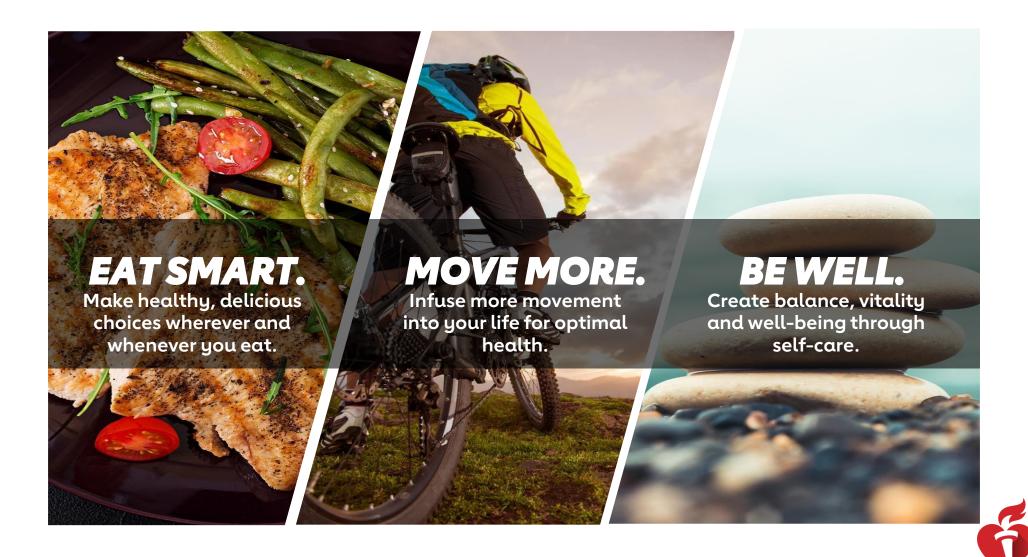
Υ	OVERCOMING CHALLENGES	PLANNING FOR SUCCESS
ı check your	To get less salt in my diet, I'd like to (choose all that apply): Buy low sodium foods	During your appointment, refer to thi guide and have ready:
a week	☐ Taste before adding salt ☐ Use salt-free spices/herbs	A complete list of all your medication (including over the counter, vitaminand herbal supplements)
a month	☐ Check labels for sodium ☐ Cook at home more often	2. A pen and paper to take notes
your blood pressure,	It's hard for me to manage my blood pressure because (choose all that apply):	Today my BP is:
og?	☐ I don't like the way the medication makes me feel	☐ Normal
	☐ I'm having trouble getting my medication	☐ Elevated
	☐ I'm having trouble changing my diet	☐ Stage1
your medications	☐ I can't easily exercise	☐ Stage 2
	☐ It's expensive	
	☐ I'm stressed/I don't feel well	
	☐ I forget what I need to do	Notes:
	During my appointment, I'd like to discuss (choose all that apply):	
	My medications	
	☐ Checking my blood pressure at home	
	☐ Reducing salt in my diet	My next appointment is on:
	☐ Getting more exercise	ing next appointment is on:
	Managing my weight	

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■ Quitting smoking

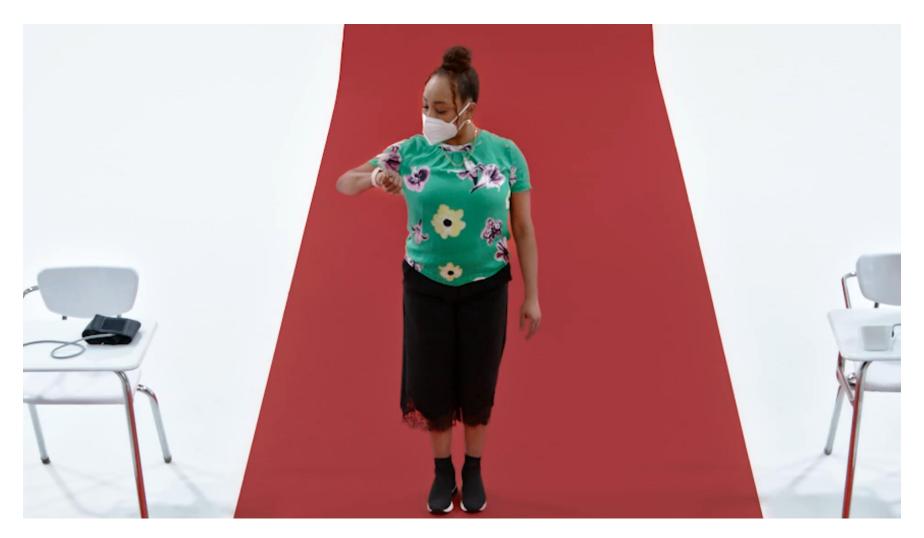


LIFESTYLE CHANGES



American Heart Association

GET DOWN WITH BLOOD PRESSURE





Together, we are a

RELENTLESS

force for a world of longer, healthier lives.

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Thank you!



