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Protect Your Heart from the Cold



You may know that cold weather can increase your chances of catching the cold or flu, but did you know that the cold can also put a strain on your heart? When it gets cold outside, your heart has to work much harder to keep your body warm. Low temperatures can increase your heart rate, blood pressure, and even your risk of a heart attack or stroke. Keep your heart healthy during the winter by maintaining a healthy lifestyle while taking the proper precautions.

Stay indoors during storms.

Don't walk to the senior center or exercise in the park when it snows or gets too cold. Ask for help with chores, such as shoveling or buying groceries. Don't do it alone!

Continue to exercise, but not in the

Regular exercise is important to a healthy heart, but exercising out in the cold can be dangerous. Do stretches and indoor exercises for about 30 minutes each day to stay healthy.

Check the weather forecast to plan ahead.

If you know the weather will get worse later in the week, stock up on groceries so you don't have to go out during bad conditions.

Stay warm and dry at all times.

Wear plenty of layers when you go outside. Put on a hat and thermal socks to keep your head and feet warm. Change out of wet clothing right away to prevent your body from losing heat.

Eat healthy.

Regularly consume hot meals and drinks to keep your body warm, but don't eat more than usual. Portion control can help you keep a healthy diet and a healthy heart.

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Protect Your Teeth with Dental Sealants

Cavities can be painful and expensive, but luckily, they are preventable. Dental sealants are one of the best ways to protect your teeth.

Sealants are plastic coatings painted on the surfaces of the back teeth, or molars, where tooth decay most commonly occurs. The foods we eat often get trapped in the small grooves of the molars and attract bacteria that cause cavities. Dental sealants seal out germs and food particles to provide extra protection for the teeth.

Both children and adults can get dental sealants. However, it is best to get them during the childhood or teenage years, when the molars are coming out. Applying sealants is a simple and pain-free process! The dentist paints on a layer of coating which hardens to become the sealant. Once hardened, the sealant will last about 3 to 5 years.

Dental sealants offer extra protection against tooth decay, but they do not replace your normal dental care routine. To keep teeth healthy and cavity-free, children and adults should continue to:

- Brush twice a day.
- · Floss every day.
- · Consume less sugary foods and drinks.
- Visit the dentist every 6 months.

Parents often wait until their children are older before bringing them to get dental care. However, early dental check-ups can prevent cavities and other serious tooth problems and help you save money in the long run.

To learn more about dental sealants and how you or your child can get them, make an appointment with our Dental Department today!

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Open Enrollment Begins

November 15, 2014

If you have not already enrolled for a health insurance plan, you and your family can join one today. Between November 15, 2014 and February 15, 2015, you can enroll in a Qualified Health Plan through The NY State of Health – The Official Health Plan Marketplace to sign up for health insurance.

You must buy your insurance through this marketplace if you want to qualify for subsidies. Note that if you qualify for Medicaid, Child Health Plus or the Special Enrollment Period, you can sign up anytime during the year at The NY State of Health website: https://nystateofhealth.ny.gov/. You will need an email account to sign up.



If you need help with enrollment, please call the Health Center at:

(212) 226-8339 (Manhattan) or (718) 886-7355 (Flushing) for a one-on-one consultation session.

We have bilingual certified assistors who are trained to help you choose a health plan that meets your needs, and figure out if you qualify for subsidies.



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