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Providing quality care has never been more important. To-day, Alzheimer's disease is the sixth leading cause of death in the United States. More than five million Americans have Alzheimer's, and over 500,000 New York City residents either have Alzheimer's disease or are taking care of someone who displayed to the component of t

for caregivers

aring for someone with Alzheimer's or dementia is relentless, exhausting work. And yet, in the absence of a cure, effective care remains the best therapy.

That is why, for over 30 years, CaringKind, The Heart of Alzheimer's Caregiving (formerly known as the Alzheimer's Association, New York City Chapter) has focused on developing and delivering programs and services that ease the burden of a dementia caregiver, which benefits the caregiver - either family or professional — the person with the disease, and their family.

CaringKind's staff sees people, not a disease. They understand that every caregiver's experience is unique. And they help individuals and families find the path that best meets their special needs. CaringKind's education and training programs and social work services help ease the emotional, physical, psychological and financial burden of managing the disease, while treating each individual and family with dignity and compassion.

CaringKind programs include caregiver workshops, caregiver support groups, culturally sensitive outreach initiatives for the Latino, African American, Chinese, Russian, LGBT and Orthodox Jewish communities, cultural arts programs and training programs for medical professionals and home-health aides.

The state-of-the-art Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Early Stage Center provides a safe, supportive environment and specialized programs for individuals with Mild Cognitive Impairment (MCI) and early-stage dementia. And thanks to CaringKind's strong relationship with the NYPD, the MedicAlert NYC program provides resources to protect those who wander.

CaringKind is a community of people, not just a network of resources, with unparalleled and deep local roots in the five boroughs. Over the past three decades, CaringKind has developed extraordinary long-term relationships with their community partners including medical centers. researchers, long-term care facilities, home-health services, the clergy, government officials and the philanthropic community, which enhance the already robust services it provides.

Most important, CaringKind is creating a world where the stigma of an Alzheimer's or dementia diagnosis no longer forces families to retreat, but helps them to reach out and ask for help. It's never too early - or too late - to talk about Alzheimer's support. No problem is too big or too small. If you find your husband's keys in the freezer or your mom is dressed for winter in mid-July, trained staff can help you 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Just call (646) 744-2900 and, like

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- · Discover resources available in the community

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Improve your arthritis one step at a time



he fall season is the perfect time of year to take a brisk walk, enjoy the seasonal foliage and bask in the last months of warmth. A walk around the neighborhood may be just the thing to address arthritis pain, maintain bone strength and flexibility and help increase energy.

Arthritis, the nation's leading cause of disability, touches one in every five adults. More than three million New Yorkers suffer from arthritis. According to the Arthritis Foundation, this disease affects more than 50% of seniors 65 and older, and there are more than 100 different types of arthritis: osteoarthritis (arthritis of the bones), rheumatoid arthritis (inflammation of the lining of the joints), lupus (a disease where the immune system attacks its tissues), and many others. Arthritis ten will help your arthritis.

symptoms can include pain, stiffness, occasional swelling, redness or difficulty moving joints.

If you or a loved one has arthritis, it's essential to stay physically active. There is a common notion that seniors with arthritis cannot or should not exercise. It's a myth that physical activity makes arthritis worse. In reality, exercise can be an effective treatment for reducing arthritis pain. Stiff and painful joints may dissuade you from taking that much-needed walk, so it is fine to start off slowly with a short walk and low-impact physical activity. The more you move your body, the more you can help lessen pain and stiffness in your joints and improve your ability to do daily activities. It's similar to keeping a piece of machinery oiled so that it functions well continuing to move your joints of-

Regular exercise and a healthy diet can also help prevent progression of the disease by strengthening the muscles around the joints, supporting bone health and improving energy. Shedding excess pounds will also help alleviate joint pain and pressure. Physical activity can include a range of motion exercises like stretching your arms and legs, low-impact aerobic exercises like walking and swimming, gentle forms of yoga and tai chi, and strength building using light weights. When it comes to getting active, it doesn't matter what you do - just get up and move.

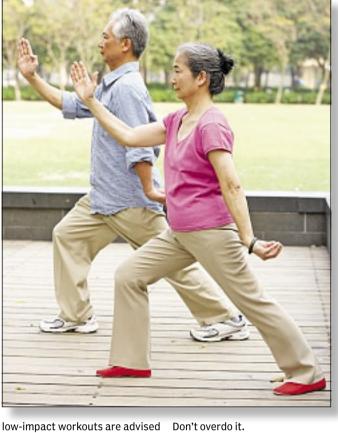
As the temperature drops, many older adults experience increased joint pain, inflammation and stiffness. Indoor and during the approaching winter months. Before starting any physical activity program, be sure to check with your doctor to discuss the most beneficial workout plan for you and ensure that you're on the right track. Remember, it's perfectly normal to have some muscle soreness when you begin an exercise routine. Don't let that prevent you from moving. If you experience excessive pain or fatigue, check in with your doctor.

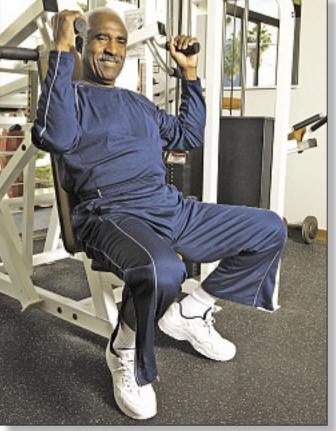
Regular physical activity, healthy eating habits and maintaining a healthy weight can reduce the occurrence of arthritis flare-ups or related complications. These lifestyle changes and tips will help you to achieve your personal health and wellness goals, and help keep you in control of your daily life activities like dressing, preparing meals, and conducting your social life. Suffering less chronic pain over time will lead to overall improvements in every aspect of your health and

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Calvary and Yeshiva University have collaborated on a pioneering initiative to provide observant Jewish families with the information need to obtain quality end-

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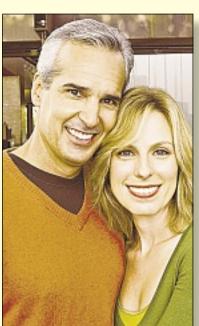
Scrolls Trust in London. The goal is to repair this Torah so that it will once again be kosher for use in services and Jewish rituals. To make a gift, please visit: www.calvary hospital.org/torahrestoration.

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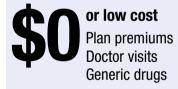


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Bone density screening for osteoporosis: easier than ever

steoporosis, which causes bones to lose density and weaken, is one of the most common conditions experienced by men and women over the age of 50. In fact, it is estimated that, due to the disease, one in two women and one in four men in this age group will experience bone breakage.

Osteoporosis does not present many symptoms in its early stages, which is when the most can be done to preserve bone health. Left untreated, osteoporosis may result in loss of height, back pain or frequent bone breakage. Early screening

A bone density screening in the Women's Diagnostic Center at New York Methodist Hospital.

for osteoporosis is the most effective way to prevent the condition's progression, especially for postmenopausal women who have fractured a bone, have low body weight or have a family history of the disease.

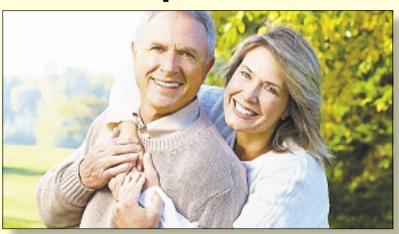
Screening for osteoporosis is done through bone-density scanning, which uses low-dose, dual-energy X-rays to determine bone mass and density. The scan evaluates density in select bones of the body, usually the hip and the spine, as a measure of general bone health. A bone-density scan is non-invasive, painless and fast — it usually takes less than 15 minutes.

"The dual-energy X-ray is a sophisticated process, but for the patient, it is an easy process," says Steven Garner, M.D., chairman of radiology at NYM. "But most important, it's the most accurate method for diagnosing osteoporosis and assessing the risk for future fractures."

If the bone-density scan reveals the presence of osteoporosis, a physician can help create a long-term care plan involving regular exercise, dietary changes and, if needed, medication or surgery.

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Tens of thousands of toothless Americans found out about the disease too late. There's one overriding reason why periodontal disease is ignored: It sneaks up on its victims, working painlessly over a period of 20 to 30 years in most cases.

It also gets an early start. Dental studies reveal that by age 13, about four out of every five youngsters have already begun the slow but sure march to periodontal damage.

Trouble is, people think of dental problems in terms of aching teeth. Generally, if they don't feel any pain, they don't think anything is wrong.

Seven danger signs of periodontal disease

- Your gums bleed when you brush.
- You've got bad breath.
- Your gums are soft, swollen or tender.
 - Your gums are retreating from

your teeth.

- Your teeth have changed their position, slightly, making your "bite" different.
 - Any of your teeth are loose.
- Pus seeps from your gums when you press them.

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If you are currently enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan and will be continuing or are planning to enroll in one for 2017, AgeWell New York encourages these tips for getting the most out of your plan to enhance your health coverage and access to services.

Provider network: Check your plan's website or provider directory to see whether your primary care physician or specialists participate in the network. and If not, you can make a request to the plan to reach out to your physicians to invite them to participate.

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Care navigator or care manager:

Depending on your particular plan, you may have access to a care navigator or care manager who assists with navigating health services, such as medication management, care planning, routine screenings and preventative services. Call your plan for more information and find out whether these services are available and how it works.

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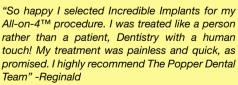












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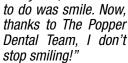
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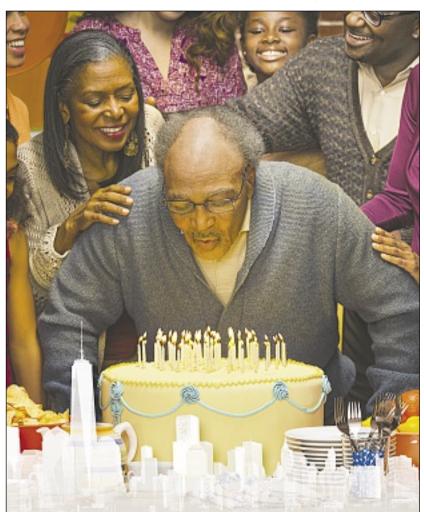
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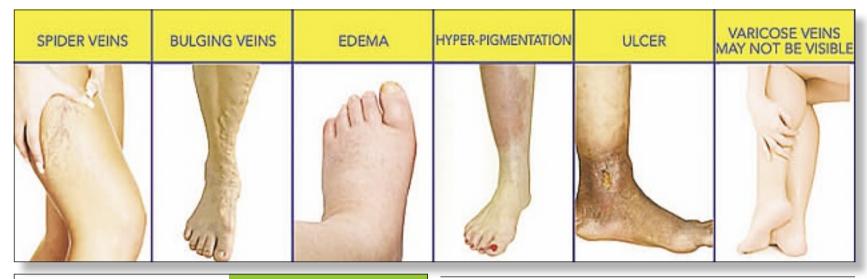
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ranging from infants to five year olds, regularly share stories, sing with the residents and engage in projects through Project N.O.I.S.E.E. (Naturally Occurring Interactions in a Shared Environment Everyday). In addition, local teenagers involved in Isabella's community caring partner program assist in nursing care, recreational programs and daily living.

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SIUH aims to stem tide of substance abuse in Staten Island

he rate of prescripand overdoses, "is just tremendous," in Staten Island, savs Harshal Kirane, M.D., director of addiction services for Staten Island University Hospital Northwell Health.

The burden of illness and of addiction on Staten Island really outstrips any of the other boroughs, except for an area of the south Bronx that has had some parallel issues," he says.

What Dr. Kirane and his colleagues at SIUH are seeing in Staten Island is reflective of a national opioid epidemic, which city governments, health organizations and hospitals across the country are all trying to tackle; however. it's proving to be a challenging public health issue to eradicate overdose deaths rose by 66% citywide between 2010 and 2015 according to the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

To stem the tide of opioid abuse, SIUH takes a

multi-faceted approach to pretion opioid use, abuse vention and recovery, which includes emergency care, outpatient resources, community outreach and public health education, Together, Dr. Kirane says he hopes these measures will help to open a broader dialog about opioid addiction and de-stigmatize prescription drug abuse.

> This includes offering free NARCAN Community Training programs that provide certified overdose prevention training to the general community. (The next training session takes place on Nov. 9, from 5-6 p.m. at the Regina M. McGinn Educational Center in Staten Island.) Attendees learn how to identify an opioid overdose; what to do during an overdose; and how to administer naloxone, a medication able to block the effects of opioid drugs during emergency situations. Upon completion of the community training sessions, participants are sent home with a free naloxone rescue kit.



"At its most basic level, naloxone can address an issue of life and death," Dr. Kirane says. "It is not the cure for addiction nor the end-all, be-all of recovery."

While a naloxone rescue kit might be a short-term fix in case of an emergency, long-term recovery requires a different set of resources. To help Staten Islanders on the road to recovery. Dr.

Kirane says SIUH has dramatically increased its substance abuse outpatient care options over the past year. This includes a new ancillary withdrawal management program that he says, "is specifically tailored toward expanding access to what's known as medication-assisted treatment with buprenorphine."

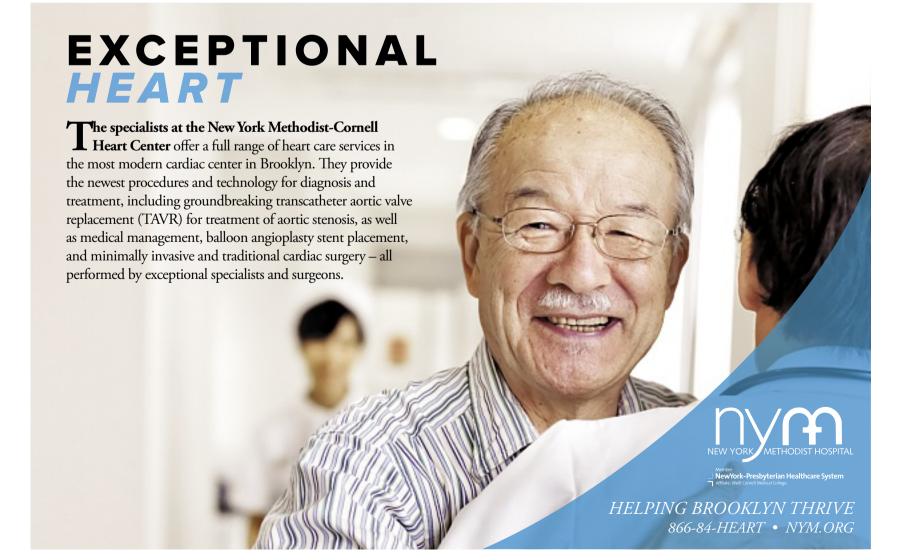
It's part of an effort to increase

access to care for at-risk members of the communities SIUH treats, which Dr. Kirane says has been a huge challenge.

"There are a number of barriers that continue to come up, but we have tried to really bolster every aspect of the continuum here, from inpatient care to emergency services to outpatient care.

"People are fearful of accessing care; people don't want to discuss these issues with their family, let alone their workplace, or come into the hospital and in some way be labeled as struggling with an addiction. Here, we're trying to lower the bar to where these tools are viewed as just part of the broader spectrum of medical treatment, and the hope would be that that enhances rapport with individuals in seeing the medical community does recoanize the recurring and somewhat tragic nature of addiction."

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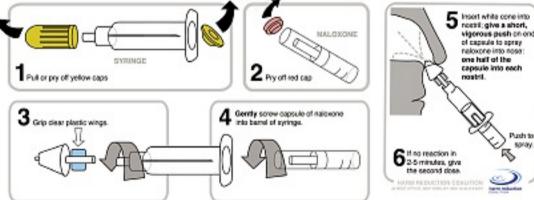
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How to identify an opioid overdose:

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