







Health Information Week 2025 20th - 24th January

DAY 1: WINTER HEALTH RESOURCES



Winter Illnesses

- Age UK Looking after your health and money this winter
- Age UK Illnesses caused by cold weather
- Asthma & Lung UK Cold weather and your lungs
- British Heart Foundation 5 ways to stay healthy in winter
- NHS Seasonal vaccinations and winter health
- Royal Voluntary Service Winter Ailments
- Royal Voluntary Service Eating Well
- The Met Office How cold weather affects your health
- Wellbeing Hub (Intranet page) Winter wellness



Keep Warm this Winter

- Age UK Keeping warm and well in winter
- British Heart Foundation Winter wellness: how to keep healthy and warm
- NHS: Together We Can Winter protection
- Red Cross How to keep warm this winter: cost-effective tips
- Royal Voluntary Service Stay safe, warm and well
- Royal Voluntary Service <u>Preparing your home for winter</u>



Mental Health & Wellbeing

• British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy - <u>Seasonal affective</u> disorder: <u>Tips on how to cope with SAD this winter</u>

- British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy <u>Seasonal affective disorder:</u> What therapy can help with
- MIND Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD): Self care
- MIND: Hammersmith, Fulham, Ealing and Hounslow How to stay positive during winter
- MIND: Hammersmith, Fulham, Ealing and Hounslow What is Seasonal Affective Disorder?
- MindWell MindWell's top 10 tips for winter wellbeing
- NHS Mindfulness
- NHS Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD)
- Red Cross Wellbeing Support
- Royal College of Psychiatrists <u>Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD)</u>
- Scottish Action for Mental Health <u>Protecting your wellbeing during the winter</u> months
- The Met Office Looking after your mental health through the winter



Keeping Active this Winter

- AXA Health Benefits & tips for exercising outdoors
- Breast Cancer UK How to stay active during the colder months
- British Heart Foundation 3 tips to help you keep fit in winter
- British Heart Foundation How to get active indoors
- NHS Walking for health
- Nuffield Health The right way to exercise in winter



APPs

- <u>Calm</u> App for sleep, meditation and relaxation. Available for <u>Android</u> devices and Apple devices
- <u>Headspace</u> Headspace is a science-backed app in mindfulness and meditation, providing unique tools and resources to help reduce stress, build resilience and aid better sleep. Available for <u>Android</u> devices and <u>Apple</u> devices
- MyPossibleSelf: Mental Health Access to the best toolkits available to improve your mind; includes interactive tools and coping strategies, using cognitive behavioural therapy (CBT), customised for digital use. Available for <u>Android</u> devices and <u>Apple</u> devices
- NHS Active 10 Records every minute of walking your do, tracking your steps, helps
 you set goals and shows your achievements. Available for <u>Android</u> devices and <u>Apple</u>
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- NHS App The NHS App gives you a simple and secure way to access a range of NHS services on your phone. You can view your health record, including test results, request repeat prescriptions and book appointments. Available for <u>Android</u> devices and <u>Apple</u> devices
- **NHS Couch to 5K** A running programme for beginners to help you get started with running. Available for <u>Android</u> devices and <u>Apple</u> devices
- <u>Sorted: Mental Health</u> Accredited by NHS England A mark of its effectiveness, safety and good function. Easy to use, the audio modules uniquely combine applied relaxation with goal-focused visualisations derived from the latest neuroscience and sports coaching methods. Available for <u>Android</u> devices and <u>Apple</u> devices
- The Mindfulness App Enjoy a more restful sleep, stress less, and reduce your anxiety together with over 350 guided meditations. Available for <u>Android</u> devices and <u>Apple</u> devices



- Age UK Staying well this winter (video)
- NHS Advice on how to stay well this winter (audio)
- NHS Mental wellbeing guides (audio)
- NHS Stay well this winter (large print, audio and British Sign Language)



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