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Communication is vital to this type of therapy.
Dunn, the son of McMinnville chiropractor George Dunn, D.C., grew up learning about how muscles function and relate to skeletal action. He knew he wanted to help people.
After trying other careers, such as baking and working on RVs, he went back to school to become a massage therapist. He is a member of Associated Bodywork & Massage Professionals.
Dunn and his wife, Debbie, have been married for 43 years. They have two grown children and three grandchildren. In his spare time, he likes to work on his home, which he and Debbie designed and built together. The Dunns also enjoy hiking, kayaking and cycling.

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3 BAD ORAL HEALTH HABITS TO SQUASH ASAP

If not nipped in the bud, bad oral health habits can lead to increased tooth sensitivity, tooth fractures, tooth decay, the development of bad breath and even serious health problems. Here are three bad oral health habits that need to be nixed right away.

1. CONSUMING TOO MUCH SUGAR
The bacteria in your mouth thrive on the sugars and starches you consume, converting them into acids that deteriorate tooth enamel, cause cavities and lead to excessive plaque buildup.
When you eat sugary snacks throughout the day, your mouth gets overwhelmed by tooth-rotting acids. If you’re going to snack, it’s far better to choose something healthy like nuts, hard cheeses and crunchy vegetables.
In addition, you should guard against frequent sipping on sugary beverages such as juice, sports drinks and soft drinks. Consuming these items can coat your teeth with excessive amounts of sugar. Instead, make water your go-to beverage — it’s a far more hydrating option, anyway.

2. BITING YOUR NAILS
Constantly biting your nails can damage your teeth. Moreover, it exposes your mouth to bacteria that’s under your nails. Cutting your nails short and applying a bitter-tasting nail polish can help you curb this nervous habit.

3. CHEWING ON ICE
Habitually crunching on ice cubes can cause tiny fissures to form on your tooth enamel, thereby weakening your teeth and making you more prone to tooth sensitivity and tooth decay. In some cases, chewing on ice can even lead to chipping or breaking a tooth. Lastly, neglecting to brush and floss regularly is the ultimate bad oral health habit. To protect your teeth, be sure to brush and floss them every day.

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GLUTEN INTOLERANCE: A BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO CELIAC DISEASE

Celiac disease is a type of autoimmune disease characterized by an inability to ingest gluten without causing damage to the small intestine. When people with celiac disease eat foods containing wheat, barley or rye — grains that contain the protein gluten — they may experience serious digestive problems (such as diarrhea, abdominal cramping and bloating) and a range of other possible short-term and long-term health effects.

Left untreated, celiac disease can lead to additional serious health problems, including Type 1 diabetes, multiple sclerosis, anemia, osteoporosis, infertility and miscarriage, malignancies, epilepsy and intestinal cancers.

If you suspect you have celiac disease, visit your doctor and request a blood test. If the results come back positive, you’ll be referred to a gastroenterologist for a small bowel biopsy to test tissue from your small intestine for damage.

There are no medications for curing celiac disease or relieving intestinal symptoms, but the condition is treatable by removing gluten from the diet.

When you’re diagnosed with celiac disease, you should schedule an appointment with a registered dietitian to help you map out a dietary plan. In order to eat gluten free, you’ll need to avoid not just wheat products, but also rye, barley and oats.

You also need to watch out for foods that you’re less likely to think of as containing wheat such as ketchup, soy sauce, canned soups and gravy. Make sure to read food labels carefully for possible gluten content.

Luckily, there are many gluten-free products available on the market these days — you can even buy gluten-free beer!

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Carrie has always enjoyed helping others and has a tremendous amount of respect and admiration for seniors. “They have lived full lives and have so much wisdom to share,” she’s been serving seniors in Yamhill County since 2000.

She loves the integrity and passion our team has here at Vineyard Heights. “We are committed to each and every one of the residents that call our community home,” she says. “That’s what sets us apart, and I am so proud to be a part of this beautiful community.”

As the Marketing Director of Vineyard Heights Assisted Living and Retirement Cottages, Carrie sees the significance of how individualized care makes a difference every single day for residents. Watching the impact first hand has an influence when one reflects; this could be my mother, father, grandmother, etc.

Carrie grew up in a small family farm in Loyalton, Oregon. Carrie and her husband Rick moved to McMinnville in 2004. Daughter, Aaryn resides in Vancouver with her husband Earl. Son Drew and his wife, Melissa, live in McMinnville with their children Logan, 10, and Aviva, 4. When she’s not at work, you can find Carrie tending to her flower garden, relaxing on her patio or playing with her grandchildren.

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For Janet Sederquist, the best part of being executive director at Vineyard Heights Assisted Living and Retirement Cottages is knowing that her staff makes a difference in the lives of residents on a daily basis.

As someone who pours her heart into everything she touches, she enjoys the day-to-day interaction with the people who live at Vineyard Heights, as well.

Sederquist oversees all operations in the Vineyard Heights community, including resident care, maintenance, accounting, activities, dining services and marketing. She is always mindful of Oregon state regulations, and compliance is a big part of her daily responsibilities.

Her job is challenging, but it’s greatly satisfying and personally rewarding.

Sederquist, who was born in Corpus Christie, Texas, grew up in Southern California. She has a background in marketing.

After caring for her mother for three years, she changed careers. Working in long-term care gave her a chance to make a positive difference for seniors and their families by ensuring residents receive the best care that fits their needs.

When she has a moment to herself, Sederquist enjoys photography and baking.

She is eager to learn about making goat cheese.
A childhood trip to Oaxaca, Mexico, with Northwest Medical Teams inspired Zoey Stoumbos, M.D., to go into medicine, ophthalmology in particular. She saw the incredible difference ophthalmology can make in all aspects of people’s lives. Preserving and improving their sight helps them earn a living and fulfill themselves through their work, enjoy their hobbies and experience freedom and independence.

Dr. Stoumbos is motivated by a strong drive to serve and provide high-quality care in a compassionate manner. Born and raised in the Portland area, she earned a bachelor’s degree in biology from Gonzaga University, then went on to medical school and a residency in ophthalmology at Oregon Health & Sciences University. She completed a fellowship in glaucoma at Tufts New England Eye Center and Ophthalmic Consultants in Boston. Passionate about the medical management of glaucoma, she has extensive experience in the full spectrum of glaucoma surgery and cataract surgery, as well. She belongs to the American Glaucoma Society and American Academy of Ophthalmology.

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THE IMPORTANCE OF COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENINGS

Colorectal cancer kills more people than breast and prostate cancer put together. However, early detection greatly improves outcomes among diagnosed patients. Here’s what you should know about getting screened for this cancer.

WHY GET TESTED?
If detected early, the five-year survival rate for colorectal cancer patients is 90 percent. However, only 39 percent of cases are found at this stage. Often, colorectal cancer doesn’t initially cause any symptoms. This is why being proactive about detection is vital.

WHO SHOULD GET TESTED?
People between the ages of 50 and 74 should undergo a fecal immunochemical test (FIT) and a fecal occult blood test (FOBT) every two years. These tests detect traces of blood in the stool that can’t be seen with the naked eye, which could indicate a tumor. Out of 1,000 tests, an average of 30 will come back positive, prompting a colonoscopy. Out of 30 positive tests, only four will be due to the presence of cancer.

HOW CAN I GET TESTED?
Ask your healthcare provider to prescribe a test. You’ll then be referred to a collection center and provided with a test kit containing detailed instructions. It’s also possible to take the test at home. Ask your doctor what options are available.

Public health agencies recommend that regular colorectal cancer screenings begin as soon as someone turns 50, regardless of symptoms. Being proactive is the only way to detect cancer early.

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Dr. Wark spent the remainder of her military career in England, and then returned home to join and eventually buy her father’s practice. Dr. Wark and her husband, who also manages the practice, spend their free time playing golf and enjoying their three children’s activities which include them coaching their kids’ basketball teams. They have also taken up pickleball.

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**4 FOODS FOR HEALTHIER SKIN**

In winter, your skin is routinely exposed to the effects of cold temperatures, indoor heating, pollution and sunlight. Here are four foods that can help allay the effects of these stressors.

**FATTY FISH**
Packed with Omega-3 fatty acids, fish such as salmon and mackerel help preserve your skin’s elasticity, reduce inflammation and improve cardiovascular health. Adding them to your diet will mitigate the negative effects of sunlight on your skin and provide essential antioxidants.

**AVOCADO**
An excellent source of healthy fats and vitamin C, this popular fruit helps skin maintain its elasticity and protects it from irritants. It’s also highly versatile and can be enjoyed in salads, smoothies, sandwiches and on its own.

**NUTS**
The amino acids in nuts are essential to our skin’s health. They promote its natural regenerative processes while improving blood circulation. Add them to salads and baked goods or eat them as a snack.

**BERRIES**
Strawberries, raspberries, blueberries and blackberries all contain very high concentrations of antioxidants, which slow skin aging and contribute to your overall health. Add them to your cereal and smoothies or munch on them as a low-calorie snack.

Other skin-friendly foods include olive oil, green tea, garlic and red grapes. As a bonus, adding these to your diet will diversify it and help you maintain a healthy lifestyle.

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Dr. Van Heel joined McMinnville Eye Clinic in 2019. She lives in Newberg with her husband.
Dr. David Hayes earned his medical degree from the University of California, San Francisco. He then completed his residency in ophthalmology at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston.

Dr. Hayes joined McMinnville Eye Clinic in 2006. He practices comprehensive eye care including cataract surgery, glaucoma, medical retina, ocular oncology, and corneal disease. Having grown up in Washington state, Dr. Hayes was excited to return to the Pacific Northwest and joined the McMinnville Eye Clinic in 2017. He lives in McMinnville with his wife and four young children. Dr. Hayes was awarded the Oregon Academy of Ophthalmology Excellence Award in 2013. He is a member of the Oregon Academy of Ophthalmology.

Dr. Maxfield graduated from Dartmouth School of Medicine. He then completed his residency in Ophthalmology at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. Dr. Maxfield practices comprehensive ophthalmology including cataracts, glaucoma, dry eye syndrome, diabetic retinopathy, macular degeneration, eyelid disorders and corneal disease.

Having grown up in Washington State, Dr. Maxfield was excited to return to the Pacific Northwest and joined the McMinnville Eye Clinic in 2017. He lives in McMinnville with his wife and two children. He enjoys spending time in his garden, as well as taking in all of Oregon’s natural splendor, which includes skiing, mountain biking, hiking and fishing.

Dr. Laura Burke grew up in Corvallis and is excited to make McMinnville her home. She is married with three children and enjoys reading to them. She also enjoys hiking, gardening and baking.

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Dr. Michael Passo graduated with honors from Indiana University Medical School and subsequently completed two years of internal medicine residency there. Dr. Passo then completed his eye residency and glaucoma fellowship from Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU), serving as chief of ophthalmology at the Portland Veterans Administration Medical Center upon graduating. Dr. Passo remains an assistant professor of ophthalmology at OHSU.

Dr. Passo joined the McMinnville Eye Clinic in 1985. At the clinic, he practices comprehensive eye care, including cataract lens implant surgery. Dr. Passo lives in McMinnville with his wife. Dr. Passo is board certified by the American Board of Ophthalmology.

Dr. Nicholas Grinich earned his medical degree from Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU). After he graduated, he completed his internship at Good Samaritan Hospital and Medical Center in Portland and his residency at California Pacific Medical Center in San Francisco. Dr. Grinich went on to complete a fellowship at the Mayo Clinic in corneal diseases.

Dr. Grinich joined the McMinnville Eye Clinic in 1996. He practices comprehensive eye care. Dr. Grinich is board certified by the American Board of Ophthalmology.

Dr. Ryan Berger graduated from the Georgetown University School of Medicine. He completed his residency in internal medicine at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, where he served as chief resident. Dr. Berger then went on to complete his residency in ophthalmology at the University of Colorado, Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Institute.

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DID YOU KNOW?
Research shows that children who get enough exercise are more creative, better at solving problems and less likely to suffer from depression and anxiety. They also tend to have longer attention spans and better self-esteem.
A need to work with his hands and a desire to genuinely help people led Jacob Bushnell, DDS to a career in dentistry. As a dentist working side-by-side with Dr. Todd Hyder at McMinnville’s Hyder Family Dentistry, Dr. Bushnell takes great pride in the quality of his work — but his real satisfaction comes from seeing his patients smile.

Born and raised in Knappa, Oregon, Dr. Bushnell was awarded his undergraduate degree from Oregon State University before earning his dental degree at the University of the Pacific Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry in San Francisco. Dr. Bushnell is excited to share his passion for optimizing oral health with his patients — he loves the relationships developed as a result of his work.

Dr. Bushnell was recently married in September to Jessica. In the near future, the couple will be settling down and starting a family in McMinnville. A great fan of Northwest life, Dr. Bushnell enjoys skiing, hunting, ocean fishing and cooking when he’s not caring for his patients. He also loves spending time with friends and family.

When Dr. Todd Hyder was attending Villanova University, he met his future wife. Fortunately for both of them, he went on to dental school and she to medical school, both at Temple University. When it came time to set up practices and start a family, both Drs. Hyder decided that Todd’s hometown of McMinnville was a perfect fit.

Dr. Hyder provides exceptional dental care for patients of all ages. He is able to do almost every dental procedure in the office, maximizing quality and convenience for his patients. Orthodontics, implants and extractions are routinely performed at the clinic in addition to many other services.

Patient comfort is hugely important to Dr. Hyder. Most of the clinic’s procedures can be done without pain. Dr. Hyder and his staff do everything possible to make sure every patient is comfortable and at-ease.

Dr. Hyder and his wife, Ashley, have three children, Laney, Cameron and Addison. When they’re not working, they enjoy spending time together with their kids and playing golf when the weather allows.
Jordan earned his undergraduate degree and Doctor of Physical Therapy from George Fox University. Jordan loves the work ethic evident in the Yamhill Valley and enjoys helping his patients feel better and perform their best. John is passionate about helping others return to an active life after injury. He believes rehabilitation should be fun and leave the patient with a sense of accomplishment. John’s schooling and life experiences help him understand the struggles experienced both mentally and physically with rehabilitation. John has an undergraduate degree in Psychology, Master’s in Exercise Science and Sport Psychology, and Doctorate in Physical Therapy. He is also a Certified Sports and Conditioning Specialist and USA Weightlifting coach.

When John Andrew, DPT, Cert. MDT, CSCS launched Andrew Physical Therapy, he wanted to provide a place where science, education and caring came together to give his patients genuine relief from pain. Today, John’s cheerful outlook and positive can-do attitude permeate the clinic. His passion for helping his patients lessen their pain and return to their favorite activities is evident in the way his clinic functions. John emphasizes a handle-on approach and encourages patient education.

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Jason S. Sabatini, DPM chose to go into the field of podiatry because it is a particularly well-rounded field of medicine. As a podiatrist, Dr. Sabatini treats all conditions involving the foot and ankle. He currently practices at McMinnville Foot & Ankle Specialists. Dr. Sabatini enjoys the challenges of treating a variety of conditions and regularly performs surgery on his patients at Williamette Valley Medical Center. He says being able to see patients walk, run, work and live without hesitation and pain is immensely rewarding.

Dr. Sabatini earned his undergraduate degree at the University of Nevada in Reno. He was then awarded his medical degree from the Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine & Science in North Chicago, Illinois. He also completed a three-year reconstructive foot and ankle surgical residency at Long Island Jewish Hospital in New York. Dr. Sabatini specializes in treating fractures, conditions involving arthritis, bunions, hammertoes, ingrown nails, diabetic wound and routine care. Dr. Sabatini has surgical privileges at both Williamette Valley Medical Center and Providence Newberg Medical Center.

Married to a Yamhill Valley native, Dr. Sabatini and his wife live in McMinnville with their three children. When he’s not treating patients, Dr. Sabatini enjoys hiking, backpacking, camping and relaxing with his family.

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Dr. Heather Abé, D.O. is originally from the Philadelphia area. She has been in Oregon now for 5 years and has loved living here. She appreciates the milder climate even if it means more rain! Dr. Abé is passionate about women’s health and understanding where women come from to better address their health issues. She sees patients for routine pregnancies, but also high risk pregnancies, routine and complex gynecological care, gynecological surgery and infertility. She also serves on the board of directors for the hospital to help provide physician input.

When she is not working at the hospital, she enjoys being with her husband and three little kids. They enjoy exploring the outdoors, board games, baking and reading.

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Dr. Brandi Spence, M.D. was raised in Dallas, Oregon, marrying her high school sweetheart, Andrew. After graduating from Oregon State University, Dr. Spence earned her medical degree from Loma Linda University followed by obstetrics and gynecology residency in Asheville, North Carolina.

The Spence family – now including daughters: Adie, and son, Olin – are happily settled in McMinnville. “We knew we’d return to the Willamette Valley, where we both grew up,” says Dr. Spence. “We want to raise our children here and we know there’s no better place to help others do the same.”

Dr. Spence specializes in comprehensive obstetric care including high-risk pregnancies and fetal counseling, providing a broad range of services including contraceptive care, surgical procedures and postmenopausal care. Dr. Spence considers herself fortunate to experience amazing moments with her patients and says she can’t imagine a better profession.

When not helping patients, Dr. Spence keeps busy with her family, enjoying hiking, home renovation, knitting and do-it-yourself projects.

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Anne Ziemba completed a degree in nurse-midwifery at the University of Illinois at Chicago. She has trained and worked in hospitals, a birthing center and with a homebirth practice. She loves to support physiologic and low-intervention birth. She values working in a hospital, where she can support all types of birth and provide midwifery care even when complications occur. Anne is honored to be a part of people’s lives as they become parents.

As a midwife, Anne believes in patient centered care and supports patients in making informed decisions to improve their own health. She is committed to providing inclusive and empowering care. As a Certified Nurse Midwife, she is also a Nurse Practitioner, and can offer contraceptive services, annual exams, reproductive and sexual healthcare. She enjoys working in a community where she can have long-lasting relationships with patients.

When not practicing midwifery, Anne spends as much time as possible exploring the beauty of the Pacific Northwest. She lives in McMinnville with her partner and daughter.
Dr. Nicholas Barber is committed to providing excellent and evidence-based care to his patients. He focuses on bringing together the very best treatment options with compassion and respect for each patient. 

Dr. Barber grew up in Nebraska where he received his engineering and medical degrees at the University of Nebraska. After graduating medical school, he completed his residency in Portland. His passion for science and caring for people ultimately led him to pursue oncology and hematology. During his fellowship at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, he was mentored and inspired by some of the most renowned leaders in the field. He is a member of both the American Society of Clinical Oncology and the American Society of Hematology.

He met his wife, a native Oregonian, during medical school, and they ultimately decided to put down roots in the Northwest. When not working hard taking care of his patients, Dr. Barber is busy spending time with his wife and four young children. He also enjoys songwriting and exploring the outdoors with his family.

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Erica Koltenuk is a Midwife who is passionate about supporting families in their birthing experience. She started her career as a labor and delivery nurse. Knowing that she wanted to work with families throughout their whole pregnancy, she went on to become a Nurse Midwife and Family Nurse Practitioner, earning her degree from Vanderbilt University. As a midwife, Erica enjoys working collaboratively with patients. In addition to prenatal care, she specializes in annual exams, birth control, STI screenings, gynecological problems and menopausal care. Following the midwifery model, she believes in fostering an individual’s autonomy and providing competent, caring care is crucial to maintaining health and wellness. She feels privileged to share such important moments in patient’s lives.

Erica lives in McMinnville with her partner and children. When not at work, you are most likely to find her playing on the beach with her family.

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John Martinez has always had a love for science and exercise. So it only seemed natural that he would combine those two interests and pursue physical therapy as a profession.

Martinez is owner of West Hills Physical Therapy and enjoys the challenge of rehabilitation and the positive effect it can have on the quality of his patients’ lives. He uses a variety of techniques such as mobilization, traction and exercise to alleviate their problems.

A graduate of Washington State University with a bachelor of arts in business administration, he went on to graduate from Pacific University with a master’s degree in physical therapy.

John and his wife, Kim, a nurse practitioner, have four children–Katie 18, Ryan 16, Myra 14, and Riley 12. John is a member of the Sunrise Rotary in McMinnville and takes pride in being a part of community service projects with his children. West Hills Physical Therapy has been the recipient of the Best of Mac award for the last six years.

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COLD
A cold compress will usually relieve pain. It’ll also mitigate swelling, inflammation, muscle spasms and slow blood flow in the area where it’s applied. Generally, cold is indicated for recent and acute, as opposed to chronic, injuries. Use it to help with:
- Muscle cramps and tears
- Swelling
- Minor burns
- Sprains
- Insect bites
Don’t apply cold compresses to open wounds and avoid them if you have circulation problems or are anemic, as the coldness will slow blood flow.

HEAT
As is the case with cold compresses, warm ones will help reduce pain. They also promote muscle relaxation, tissue repair and blood circulation. Chronic pain responds better to heat, as do bruises that have been lingering for over two weeks. Use them to help with:
- Muscle and meniscal cramps
- Chronic aches
- A stiff neck
- Back pain
Again, don’t use a compress, hot or cold, on an open wound. If the pain doesn’t go away or becomes unbearable, seek attention from a health professional as soon as possible.

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Lisa Sears has been an advocate for quality in-home care for elders for the past two decades. While caring for her elderly grandmother in 1997, she became passionate about training and equipping caregivers to assist with activities of daily living, like bathing, dressing, eating and transfers. Lisa now manages an in-home care agency. Lisa refers to her work with United Homecare Services as her “dream job” because she enjoys watching clients regain strength and independence, while providing caregivers with the knowledge and skills they need to be effective helpers. Families in Yamhill County, Lisa observes, tend to be close-knit. Since non-paid family members provide 60-90 percent of all caregiving, this is a real strength for United Homecare Services, to make long-term caregiving sustainable, and allowing family members to enjoy a better quality of life. She works with many different kinds of health concerns, such as: arthritis, insomnia, digestive disorders, headaches/migraine, anxiety/ depression stress and much more. She specializes in neck, back, shoulder, knee, hip, foot and hand pain from either chronic conditions like arthritis or acute injuries from falls or motor vehicle accidents.

Lisa began her career as a Licensed Massage Therapist while attending Oregon College of Oriental Medicine for Acupuncture. After graduating in 2007, she worked as an Acupuncturist for a busy and well respected pain clinic in Hood River line tuning her skills in pain management. She also enjoys working with Autoimmune conditions, Fertility Enhancement, Hormone Imbalance, Nutrition/ Food Allergies and many other conditions. She is an integrative provider and works in conjunction with other providers to give her patients the best results possible. Most insurance accepted!

Lisa Pool chose Acupuncture as a career because she loves to help people enjoy a better quality of life. She works with many different kinds of health concerns such as: arthritis, insomnia, digestive disorders, headaches/migraine, anxiety/ depression stress and much more. She specializes in neck, back, shoulder, knee, hip, foot and hand pain from either chronic conditions like arthritis or acute injuries from falls or motor vehicle accidents.

Lisa Pool is a Licensed Acupuncturist. She provides holistic care with a focus on the whole person. She practices with a strong belief in the mind-body connection. This includes a belief in the body’s ability to heal itself and the role diet plays in health. Lisa works with many different kinds of health concerns, such as: arthritis, insomnia, digestive disorders, headaches/migraine, anxiety/depression stress and much more. She specializes in neck, back, shoulder, knee, hip, foot and hand pain from either chronic conditions like arthritis or acute injuries from falls or motor vehicle accidents.

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Dr. Nelson was awarded his dental degree from the Loma Linda University School of Dentistry in Southern California. He is a fellow in the Academy of General Dentistry and actively pursues continuing education, keeping up-to-date on the most current trends and technologies in the dentistry profession.

Dr. Nelson lives in McMinnville with his wife, Wendy. The couple have 12 children, both biological and adopted. When he’s not helping his patients, Dr. Nelson loves hiking and traveling with his wife. He also enjoys fishing when he has time.

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WHY 10,000?
The idea that 10,000 steps a day is ideal has its origins in a 1960s marketing campaign for the “Marpo-kei,” a Japanese pedometer. Though scientists were involved in its invention, the number was chosen for no reason other than it was deemed representative of an active lifestyle.

IS THERE A MAGIC NUMBER?
Scientists investigating the adage have determined that the more steps one takes, the less likely they are to die. In fact, they found that people who took 7,500 steps a day had a lower mortality risk than those who walked less. However, there was no longevity benefit to taking more than 7,500 steps.

IF YOU DON’T LIKE WALKING
If walking or jogging aren’t your thing, don’t worry. The important part is that you remain physically active. The World Health Organization recommends conducting two-and-a-half hours a week of moderate activity or an hour and 15 minutes a week of high intensity activity. Picking a type of exercise that you enjoy will make it easier to keep doing in the long term.

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Vaccines given during adulthood can prevent the spread of serious diseases that may lead to poor health, missed work, costly medical bills and even death. As you get older, the protection gained from certain childhood vaccines can wear off. Plus, you may be at risk for certain vaccine-preventable diseases because of your age, job, lifestyle or current health status.

Getting vaccinated as an adult also helps protect the people most susceptible to contagious diseases, such as babies and young children, pregnant women and seniors.

Here are some vaccines commonly recommended for adults:

**SEASONAL FLU**

Adults of all ages should get an annual flu shot but especially seniors, people with chronic health conditions and pregnant women. Sixty percent of flu-related hospitalizations occur in people 65 years and older.

**SHINGLES**

One in three adults contract shingles during their lifetime, and your risk increases as you age. Adults who are 50 and older should get the shingles vaccine.

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This vaccine prevents pneumococcal disease, which causes pneumonia, meningitis and sepsis. It’s recommended for all adults age 65 and older as well as for younger adults with conditions that affect their immune system, such as HIV, lymphoma and leukemia.

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Dr. Henson was awarded his undergraduate degree from Virginia Tech before earning his graduate and dental degrees from the Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry in Richmond. He is a member of the Alpha Omega Study Club, the American Society of Orthodontists and the Pacific Society of Orthodontists. In addition, Dr. Henson is a leading provider of Invisalign, the popular and highly effective clear aligner treatment. Convinced there is no better place to be, Dr. Henson lives in the Yamhill Valley with his wife, Jennel, and his son, Henrik. When he’s not treating patients, Dr. Henson loves back-country skiing and both mountain and road cycling.

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DAIRY
Milk, yogurt, sour cream and other high-humidity dairy products should be chucked if they’ve separated, smell sour, have curdled or are showing even a hint of mold.

CHEESE
Hard and semi-soft cheeses like Parmesan and cheddar are fairly resistant to mold. If there’s only a little bit on the surface, you can cut off one inch around the affected area and eat the rest. Moldy soft cheeses should be discarded.

BREAD
Since mold spores can penetrate the porous surface of bread, a moldy loaf should be thrown out.

POTATOES
Throw out any potato with green ﬂesh. This is due to an accumulation of solanine, a toxic chemical naturally produced by potatoes. If the green coloring doesn’t extend below the skin, the potato is safe to eat once peeled. Make sure to remove eyes and sprouts and to throw out soft, moldy potatoes.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES
Some fruits and veggies, like carrots and bell peppers, are too dense for mold to penetrate past the surface, so these are safe to eat once the affected spot is removed. Slimy, discolored and thoroughly moldy fruits and veggies should be thrown out.

EGGS
Conduct a water test to determine freshness. If the egg sinks, it’s good. If it floats, toss it.

CANNED FOOD
Throw out rusted or bulging cans, as well as those that have been punctured.

MEAT AND FISH
Minor discoloration is nothing to worry about. However, a slimy texture or an unusual smell are indicators of spoilage. The same is true of fresh fish, which should never smell ﬁshy. Deli meats with a slimy coating should also be discarded.

Remember, best-by dates are indicators of freshness, not safety. However, if in doubt, it’s always better to err on the side of caution.

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