## **National Family Caregivers Month**

## YOUR MENTAL HEALTH

## **A Priority Every Day**



1 RELEASE THE GUILT

The need to rest and recharge is not selfish. In order to care for others, individuals must first ensure their own energy and mental wellness.



2 PRACTICE SELF-CARE

Eat healthy foods

Move your body as you are able

Connect with others

Get enough sleep



3 PRACTICE MINDFULNESS

Taking a moment to check in with your body and mind, or simply taking a few deep breaths can help your body relax and bring you a sense of peace.



PARTICIPATE IN MEANINGFUL NONCAREGIVING ACTIVITIES

Spending time with friends, engaging in spiritual activities, walking in nature, or coloring a picture can increase feelings of wellbeing.



5 FIND A LICENCED MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL

Taking care of our health includes taking care of our brains. Seeking help is a sign of strength — not a weakness.



6 DISCONNECT FROM ELECTRONICS AND SOCIAL MEDIA

Time away from constant incoming information reduces stress and self comparisons.

