

## Preventive Healthcare Services

Preventive healthcare encompasses services, treatments, and products aimed at preventing illness and detecting problems early for optimal clinical intervention. This includes:

- Regular dental hygiene checkups every 6 months
- Annual vision screenings
- Yearly physical exams and wellness screenings
- Routine vaccinations/immunizations
- Preventive treatments and products
- Diagnostic screenings for chronic conditions like cancer, heart disease, and diabetes



### **Effectiveness of Preventive Care:**

Clinical evidence supports the effectiveness of preventive healthcare, showing that patient health education can significantly improve chronic disease management. Routine cardiovascular exams save thousands of lives annually, and screenings along with primary care consultations notably increase life expectancy, particularly among individuals aged 30–49.

### **Benefits of Preventative Care:**

Preventive healthcare offers numerous benefits, including the early detection of diseases through routine check-ups and screenings, which can identify conditions like cancer, diabetes, and heart disease when they are most treatable. It also improves the management of chronic diseases by providing health education and regular monitoring, which helps manage conditions such as hypertension and diabetes more effectively and prevents complications. Regular screenings and primary care consultations have been shown to increase life expectancy, especially in adults aged 30-49. Additionally, preventive care can reduce healthcare costs by minimizing the need for expensive treatments for advanced diseases.

### **Start Today:**

To take action now, make sure to schedule and keep regular appointments with your healthcare provider. Adhere to the recommendations and advice provided by your healthcare team. Stay informed about the necessary screenings and vaccinations suitable for your age and health status. Additionally, incorporate healthy habits such as a balanced diet, regular exercise, and stress management into your daily routine.