# **10 SIMPLE STEPS**

TO ENJOYING A HEALTHY LIFE WITH DIABETES



## TAKE YOUR MEDICINES AS DIRECTED

• They only work if you take them



# CHECK YOUR BLOOD SUGAR AS DIRECTED

- Know what your number should be
- Know what to do if it is too high or low



## DO NOT SMOKE OR CHEW TOBACCO

• Get help to quit



## CHECK YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE OFTEN

- Write it down to show your doctor
- Know what your numbers should be



### EAT HEALTHY FOODS

- Add more fresh fruits and vegetables
- Cut down on fats, salt and sugar
- Watch your portion sizes



## **BE ACTIVE 30 MINUTES A DAY MOST DAYS**

• Walk, use a stretch band, dance, garden...



#### CHECK YOUR FEET EVERY DAY

• Look for sores, blisters, color changes or hot spots



#### **GET HELP WHEN YOU FEEL DOWN**

• Tell your doctor if the feeling doesn't go away



## **RELAX AND ENJOY LIFE EVERY DAY!**



#### AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR:

- See your doctor
- Visit your diabetes educator
- See your dentist
- Get your eyes checked

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