

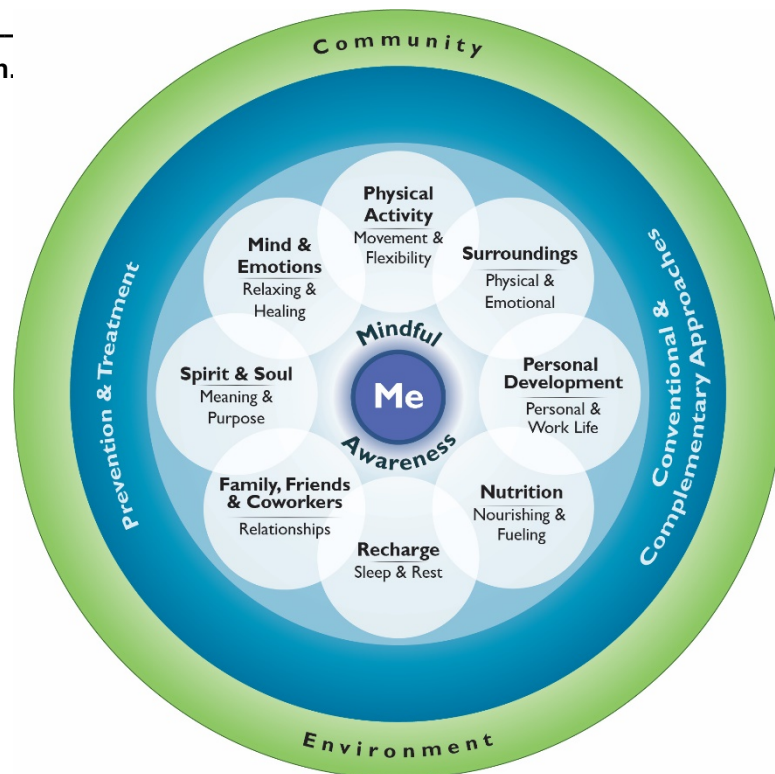
## My Story: Personal Health Inventory

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Use this circle to help you think about your whole health.

- All areas are important and connected.
- The body and mind have strong healing abilities.
- Improving one area can help other areas.
- The inner ring represents your values and aspirations. Your care focuses on you as a unique person.
- Mindful awareness is being tuned in and present.
- Your self-care and everyday choices help make up the light blue circle.
- The next darker blue ring is professional care (tests, medications, supplements, surgeries, examinations, treatments, and counseling). This section includes complementary approaches like acupuncture and yoga.
- The outer green ring includes the environment in which you live and the people and groups who make up your community.



Rate where you feel you are on the scales below from 1-5, with 1 being miserable and 5 being great.

1 Miserable	2	3	4	5 Great
<b>Physical Well-Being:</b>				
1 Miserable	2	3	4	5 Great
<b>Mental/Emotional Well-Being:</b>				
1 Miserable	2	3	4	5 Great
<b>Life: How is it to live your day-to-day life?</b>				

**What do you live for? What matters to you? Why do you want to be healthy?**

My children are the most Important people in my life. I want the best for them. I often worry about how I will not be able to continue to support them financially, especially my older son who has disabilities and will always need my assistance. I want to give my kids a better childhood than I had, where my parents argued all the time.

Spending time with my children brings me joy. I also enjoy feeling like I have time to stop and actually read a book or catch up with an old friend.



## Where You Are and Where You Would Like to Be

For each area below, consider “Where you are” and “Where you want to be”. Write a number between 1 (low) and 5 (high) that best represents where you are and where you want to be. The goal is not to be perfect in all areas. You do not need to be a “5” in any of the areas now, nor even wish to be a “5” in the future.

Area of Whole Health	Where I am Now (1-5)	Where I Want to Be (1-5)
<b>Physical Activity:</b> “ <i>Movement and Flexibility</i> ” Moving and doing physical activities like walking, dancing, gardening, sports, lifting weights, yoga, cycling, swimming, and working out in a gym.	2	5
<b>Recharge:</b> “ <i>Sleep and Rest</i> ” Getting enough rest, relaxation, and sleep.	1	4
<b>Nutrition:</b> “ <i>Nourishing and Fueling</i> ” Eating healthy, balanced meals with plenty of fruits and vegetables each day. Drinking enough water and limiting sodas, sweetened drinks, and alcohol.	1	5
<b>Personal Development:</b> “ <i>Personal and Work life</i> ” Learning and growing. Developing abilities and talents. Balancing responsibilities where you live, volunteer, and work.	3	4
<b>Family, Friends, and Co-Workers:</b> “ <i>Relationships</i> ” Feeling listened to and connected to people you love and care about. The quality of your communication with family, friends, and people you work with.	1	4
<b>Spirit and Soul:</b> “ <i>Meaning &amp; Purpose</i> ” Having a sense of purpose and meaning in your life. Feeling connected to something larger than yourself. Finding strength in difficult times.	2	4
<b>Surroundings:</b> “ <i>Physical and Emotional</i> ” Feeling safe. Having comfortable, healthy spaces where you work and live. The quality of lighting, color, air, and water. Decreasing unpleasant clutter, noises, and smells.	4	5
<b>Mind &amp; Emotions:</b> “ <i>Relaxing and Healing</i> ” Tapping into the power of your mind to heal and cope. Using mind-body techniques like relaxation, breathing, or guided imagery.	1	5
<b>Professional Care:</b> “ <i>Prevention and Clinical Care</i> ” Staying up to date on prevention and understanding your health concerns, care options, treatment plan, and their role in your health.	4	5

### Reflections

Now that you have thought about what matters to you in all of these areas, what is your vision of your best possible self? What would your life look like? What kind of activities would you be doing?

I would be out of pain. I would be off the medications that are negatively affecting my life. I would have a great night's sleep every night and feel awake during the day without coffee. I would not be smoking anymore. I would be able to cope. I would still be working, not on disability. I would have help taking care of my son.

Are there any areas you would like to work on? Where might you start?

It is kind of overwhelming, but I would start with finding ways to stop the pain with something else besides drugs, like acupuncture or some kind of physical therapy. I would have somebody to support me along the way.

**After completing the Personal Health Inventory, talk to your healthcare provider, a friend, family member, health coach, a peer, or someone on your healthcare team about areas you would like to explore further.**

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