Employee Wellbeing Update

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COVID Employee Resources
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These weekly newsletters from Cornell Work/Life, Cornell Wellness, and the Faculty and Staff Assistance Program are full of useful tips and resources for self-care, remote work, caregiving, financial wellbeing, and more. Contact wellbeing@cornell.edu with questions or suggestions.

May 3, 2021

- Mental Health Awareness Month
- Plan Vacation Time Now
- Asian Pacific American Heritage Month
- Gardening Mini Grants

April 21, 2021

- Earth Day activities
- Movement for the Mind Spring Challenge
- Dog & Cat Drive-Thru Rabies Clinic in Tompkins County
- Estate Planning Webinar with Cornell Law School

April 5, 2021
• Sustainability Month
• Wellness Dance Party
• Presentation for New(er) Cornell employees
• Strategic Paid Time Off Planning

**March 22, 2021**

• Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Mental & Emotional Health
• COVID-19 impact on Flexible Spending Accounts
• Sustainability Month
• CUBS Campus Registration

**March 8, 2021**

• Cornell Wellness Days
• Celebrating Women’s History
• Employee Awards
• Understanding Burnout

**February 22, 2021**

• Optimizing Your Space for Exercise
• Cornell College Mentors for Kids
• 2020 Vision, A Black Walden Pond & Other Musings
• Cornell VetCARES Community Cat Spay/Neuter Clinic

**February 8, 2021**

• Navigating grief and loss
• COVID-19 Information
• Black History Month
• Ithaca Snow Angels

**January 25, 2021**

• Cornell Soup & Hope Series
• Positivity: Reworking the Mind for a More Optimistic Thought Process
• Cornell Preparing for Baby Series
• How to Run a Brilliant Remote Workshop

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**December 2020**

**December 14, 2020**

• Home Alone for Winter Break?
• Ithaca Ballet Virtual Nutcracker
• Cornell Global Mixer
• Inclusive Excellence Podcast
November 2020

November 30, 2020

- Big Red Writes Penpal Program
- COVID-19 Supplemental Testing for Faculty & Staff
- Mental Wellness Challenge
- Inclusive Excellence Podcast

November 9, 2020

- Veteran's Day
- Cornell Wellness Sleep Challenge
- Guiding Our Children Through Crisis
- Cornell COVID-19 Employee Hardship Fund for School-age Child Expenses

October 2020

October 26, 2020

- Election Season Self-Care
- Checking on others when physically apart
- Ergonomics tips for seating
- United Way drive kicks off - volunteers needed

October 12, 2020

- “Go Purple” for Domestic Violence Awareness Month
- Navigating Election Anxiety – program and resources
- Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day
- Sleep Hygiene Series – Part III
- Video: Workplace Flexibility at Cornell (8 min)

September 2020

September 28, 2020

- Mental Wellness Offerings
- Quick and easy exercises for your back and hips
- Adult education offerings
- Water conservation tips
- Five ways to avoid ineffective meetings

September 22, 2020

- National Hispanic Heritage Month
- Relationship Changes & Challenges – Divorce and separation
- Tips for Sleep and Cell Phone Use
- Virtual Commemoration of POW/MIA Recognition Day
- 4-H Raptor Club Starting Up

September 14, 2020

- National Suicide Prevention Month
- Cultivating Resiliency
Cholesterol Education Programs
Walk to Run Virtual Program
Anti-racism Programming
Tutoring discount for Parents of K-12 Children

August 2020

August 31, 2020
- Transitioning to the Fall Semester
- Understanding the Impacts of Sleep on Health
- Cornell Flu Clinics
- Child Care Grant For Cornell Staff & Faculty
- Preparing for Baby Series

August 24, 2020
- For Managers: Supporting the Caregivers on Your Team
- Virtual 4-H Duck Race on Sept. 13
- Hiring a nanny/teacher? Learn to create healthy/fair agreements

August 17, 2020
- Having conversations in today’s environment
- Caring for your mental wellbeing through campus reactivation
- “Notice and respond: assisting students in distress” training
- Ergonomic consultations available to remote workers
- Elder/adult caregiving: decision guide for interacting with others
- Disability and elder law series

August 11, 2020
- Care for Your Mental Wellbeing During Work & Family Transitions
- Apps to help with anxiety and depression
- CUBS camp extended through August 21st
- Caring for individuals with brain injuries
- Volunteer opportunities with St. John’s Community Services and Mutual Aid Tompkins

August 3, 2020
- Support for caregivers
- NYS financial resources
- Adult group sessions focused on mental health
- Advice for tired managers
- Lotus pond and garden tour

July 2020

July 28, 2020
- Am I Good Enough? Navigating Shame & Guilt
- Americans with Disabilities Act – 30th Anniversary
Lactation room update
Babysitters, nannies, tutors, and teachers available for hire

July 14, 2020

- Tutors, Babysitters, Nannies, and Teachers needed
- How to spend a mental health day and addressing micro stresses
- Harmful Algal Blooms update
- Donate excess produce to the Friendship Donations Network
- Virtual Grassroots
- Mask Makers seeking teens

July 6, 2020

- Guide to navigating child care
- Composting at home
- U-Pick raspberry farms
- Tompkins County rentals for kayaks, canoes, and paddle boards
- Youth Grief Camp
- Retirement & Beyond seminars
- Food pantries

June 2020

June 29, 2020

- Supporting others without doing harm
- GirlTrek Black History Bootcamp
- Meditation sessions
- Feeling anxious? Rearranging your furniture may help
- PTSD & LGBTQ+ Awareness Months
- Parenting webinars
- Dogs at risk for heatstroke

June 22, 2020

- Mid-2020 Pause to Reflect and Reset
- U-pick Strawberry Farms
- Black Lives Matter Library Guide, LGBTQ Lunch & Learns, Talking to Children About Race
- Financial Information & Support Hotline
- Cornell CUBS Camp and other summer camp info
- How to Spot When an Employee is Secretly Struggling

June 15, 2020

- Why we should all stop saying, “I know how you feel”
- Five finger relaxation technique
- Anti-racism training programs and resources
- Adult bicycling classes
- Parenting chats and information about child care/camps and tutoring
- Ithaca Tenants Union
June 8, 2020

- Child Care & Summer Camps Update
- Looking for extra work? Babysitters/Nannies needed!
- COVID-related Bereavement Group
- Rental Assistance Program
- Conversations About Race

June 1, 2020

- Supporting Our Diverse Community
- New Wellness Challenge
- When You Disagree About Social Distancing
- Powerful Tools for Caregivers
- How to Prepare Your Dog to Be Left Home Alone
- Psychological Safety at the Workplace

May 2020

May 26, 2020

- Help Collect the Advice of Elders for Getting Through a Crisis
- Advance Care Planning
- Mutual Aid food cabinets in need of contributions
- Living Alone During COVID-19 program highlights
- Parental Resilience Workshop Series

May 18, 2020

- Financial wellbeing – Cornell special benefit considerations during COVID-19
- Cultivating resiliency
- Slacklining 101
- Women Swimmin' goes virtual
- Story time with Cornell leaders
- Maternal depression resources
- Older Americans Month 2020

May 11, 2020

- Cornell traditions
- Caring for your time
- Financial workshops - selling ahome, budgeting, tenant rights, student loans
- Emotional wellbeing workshops - resiliency, grief, and stress
- Parenting in a time of crisis
- Managers role modeling wellbeing

May 4, 2020

- Eating when working remotely: from mindless to mindful eating
- Hiking/biking locations in New York
- Opioids and Narcan Trainings
- Welcoming new residents to Tompkins County
- Update on public schools, camps, and child care programs
- Caring for grandchildren while working

**April 2020**

**April 27, 2020**

- Navigating work and life
- Active and stillness breaks to recharge and re-energize
- Tips for your high school/college students
- Plant-based eating, food cabinets, food pantries
- NYS Child Care Grants for Essential Personnel
- Tips for managers

**April 20, 2020**

- “Productivity, Perfection, and a Pandemic”
- Substance abuse resources
- Tips for grocery shopping and getting the most out of a virtual medical appointment
- Remote work tips for everyone, managers, families, and technology
- Volunteer opportunities

**April 12, 2020**

- Emotional wellbeing and caring for the mental health of older adults
- Adjusting your work schedule
- Building and maintaining connections
- Child care resources and virtual babysitting

**April 6, 2020**

- Remote employees: tips for daily routines and focus
- Financial supports for food, baby care items, etc.
- Personal preparedness strategies