

### If you are taking any of the following medications...

Aripiprazole (Abilify) Asenapine (Saphris) Clozapine (Clozaril) Iloperidone (Fanapt) Lurasidone (Latuda) Olanzapine (Zyprexa, Relprevv) Quetiapine (Seroquel) Paliperidone (Invega, Sustenna) Risperidone (Risperdal, Consta) Ziprasidone (Geodon)

## Please be sure to see your healthcare provider regularly as there are benefits and side effects.

#### **Benefits:**

- Manage symptoms well
- Improve quality of life

#### **Potential Side Effects:**

- Weight gain
- High cholesterol
- High blood sugar
- Blood pressure change



#### What do I need to do?

Please work with your health care team to manage the side effects from your medication. Your help is very important.

#### It's as easy as 1, 2, 3...

- 1. Get your weight checked at every visit
- 2. Check your blood pressure at least yearly
- 3. Do your blood tests for diabetes and cholesterol at least yearly

#### What other things can I do to stay healthy?

- Monitor your weight at home.
- If you need to lose weight.
  - Even small amounts of weight loss helps.
  - Lower your calorie intake and exercise more.
- If you smoke, use drugs or drink alcohol, consider if you need to stop or cut down.
- Take your prescribed medication for your physical and mental health.
- See your primary care provider to monitor your physical health.

#### When you have questions, ask your healthcare professional. Your Personal Health Tracking Log is on the back of this sheet.

For more information on healthy living, go to My HealtheVet: www.myhealth.va.gov /



## Personal Health Tracker (Bring to Every Appointment)

- Mental Health Provider:\_\_\_\_\_\_
- Primary Care Provider:\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date		
Antipsychotic Medication and Dose		
Weight (Pounds)		
Blood Pressure		
Glucose		
Fasting		
Hgb A1c		
Cholesterol		
Total		
LDL		
HDL		
Triglycerides		



Healthy Food Tastes Good

Feels Good

Let's Get Up and Move

# Side effects to report to your healthcare provider:

- Muscle pain or stiffness
- Restlessness or uncontrollable movement
- Loss of balance or difficulty walking
- Dizziness or fainting
- Excessive thirst and/or urination
- Changes in sexual functioning



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