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Dear Member,

Alliant cares about your health and wellness and would like to provide tools that can help you achieve and maintain good health.

While the holiday season can be full of joy, it can also bring holiday blues. Stressful events, demands on your time, and dealing with loss during this time of year can trigger depression. The good news is, just like a physical illness, depression is treatable, and effective treatments are available.

We want you to feel your best this holiday season. If you would like help locating a mental health provider or information about your mental health benefits, please contact Alliant's Customer Service Department at (800) 811-4793. If you are experiencing extreme depression symptoms, please seek urgent or emergency care for your symptoms.

Included with this informative letter is a listing of depression community-based resources and support groups.

If you would like to have this information in Spanish, please visit AlliantPlans.com.

In good health,
Alliant Health Plans

A Way to Wellness

Depression

There is no single cause for depression; rather it's a combination of stress and a person's vulnerability to developing depression.

Ways to avoid Depression:

- Stay healthy through:
 - Diet
 - Exercise
 - Rest
- Avoid alcohol or drugs
- Avoid feeling overwhelmed or stressed
- Acknowledge your feelings during critical life transitions.

Ways to manage depression:

- Join support groups
- Don't stop treatment
- Boost your self-esteem
- Talk to people you trust
- Work on a positive attitude
- Avoid taking on too much
- Do not blame yourself

How to help others with depression:

- Take time to listen to someone else
- Contact an old friend or family member you haven't talked to in a while
- Help a new person at your job or support group
- Volunteer
- Compliment someone

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