AGES & STAGES: In your 40s

A checklist for women's physical, mental, and sexual wellbeing



Schedule yearly well-woman exams with your provider for:

- Blood pressure checks Mental health check in Immunization updates
- General health review Prevention and screenings

Don't forget annual / biannual checkups for:

Vision Dental

In your 40s, it's important to talk to your provider about:

SCREENING FOR CANCER - Regular screening gives you the best chance of finding cancer early when it's small and before it has spread. Cancer screenings may include colon, breast, and cervical.

Important tests

- Mammogram Once a year
- Mouth cancer screening Once a year
- Comprehensive eye exam Every one to two years
- Cholesterol Every five years
- Blood sugar tests Every two to three years

- Pelvic exams Every one to three years
- Colon cancer screening Starting at age 45, every 10 years or more frequently based history and previous results
- Pap smears Every three to five years based on your history and previous results
- Skin check Once a year to screen for skin cancer

Continue these checkups throughout your 40s and into your 50s, as recommended by your provider.

