

If you're ready to let go of your tobacco habit, Cigna has a wide variety of online tools and personal coaching that will not only help you reach your goal, but also help you develop and maintain a healthy lifestyle.

Why quit?

You probably already know that smoking is bad for your health and that quitting will reduce your risk of getting a disease related to smoking, such as heart or lung disease. But did you also know that:

Immediate benefits¹

Heart rate and blood pressure, which are abnormally high while smoking, begin to return to normal.

- Within a few hours after quitting, the carbon monoxide level in your blood drops to normal. (Carbon monoxide reduces the blood's ability to carry oxygen.)
- Within a few weeks of quitting, you might notice it's easier to walk up the stairs because you may be less short of breath. Cilia - tiny broom-like hairs that clean your lungs - start to regrow and regain normal function very quickly after you quit smoking.

Within several months of quitting, people can expect substantial improvements in lung function.

Long-term benefits¹

- Quitting reduces the risk of cancer, heart disease and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD).
- Regardless of age, you are less likely to die from a smoking-related illness, than those who continue to smoke.



Tobacco Cessation Coaching²

Get the help you need to finally quit tobacco. Create a personal quit plan with a realistic quit date. And, get the support you need to kick the habit for good. You'll even get free over-the-counter nicotine replacement therapy (patch or gum).

Register today

You can register on the myCignaSM website or through the app.



Health Assessment

Taking the health assessment and identifying yourself as a tobacco user puts you in touch with:

- News and articles on smoking health and winning strategies for quitting.
- Ways to set goals like trying smoke-free nicotine patches or gums every day for a week to curb nicotine cravings.

To get started go to **myCigna.com** or **the app** to take your health assessment.



Education and support

If you're ready to quit, **myCigna.com** or **the app** can help you get started:

- Information on quitting tobacco use, including the benefits of living tobacco-free, and tips for coping with cravings and dealing with side effects like weight gain.
- Interactive tools that can help you decide if you're ready to quit, and demonstrate the financial benefits of a smoke-free life.
- **Videos** to help you take the necessary steps and kick your habit once and for all.

To learn more about Cigna's tobacco cessation tools – and other services to help you tackle issues like weight and stress – talk with your employer, **myCigna.com** or **the app** or call the number on the back of your Cigna ID card.

- 1. https://www.cancer.gov/about-cancer/causes-prevention/risk/tobacco/cessation-fact-sheet#q7
- 2. Ask your employer if coaching is included as part of your health plan.

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