

# Did you know... that July is International Self-Care Month?

### **Self-Care Day**

The World Health Organization (WHO) recognizes June 24th – July 24th as Self-Care Month, with July 24th being International Self-care Day. July 24th (7/24) was chosen as Self-Care Day to signify that self-care can be practiced 24/7. The WHO defines self-care as "the ability of individuals, families and communities to promote health, prevent disease, maintain health, and cope with illness and disability with or without the support of a health-care provider." If you engage in self-care, you are completing activities which support your overall health. According to the Self-Care Federation, self-care involves:

- Making healthy lifestyle choices
- · Avoiding unhealthy lifestyle habits
- Making responsible use of prescription and non-prescription medicines
- Self-recognition of symptoms
- · Self-monitoring
- · Self-management

# **Examples of Self-Care**

Participating in self-care can help to improve both your physical and emotional health, and there are many ways to do so. Some examples of self-care activities include:

- Meditate for 10 minutes
- Cook a healthy meal
- Move your body via walking, running, or lifting weights
- · Read a book
- And more!



#### Wellness

If you're looking to start your self-care journey, Wellbeats can help! Whether it be through meditation, physical exercise, or simple breathing exercises, Wellbeats can guide you on your path to becoming a self-care expert. The below self-care classes from Wellbeats are a great way to get started:

- Yoga for Self Care
- Time for a Reset
- Meditation for Self Love

## **Works Cited**

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