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TNAA Guide to Mental Health Resources for Nurses

Working as a travel nurse is rewarding but can lead to burnout. This guide offers TNAA's mental health resources to help you manage stress and stay healthy.





Understanding Burnout

Burnout affects many healthcare professionals. A 2023 survey found that 56% of nurses show symptoms of burnout. Recognizing burnout is key to addressing it.



Signs of Burnout

- Fatigue
- Dread about work
- Feeling overworked
- Feeling underappreciated
- Insomnia
- Anxiety or depression
- Tension
- Apathy

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Tips to Prevent and Overcome Burnout

Prioritize Sleep and Rest

- Sleep: Aim for 8+ hours each night.
- Rest: Take breaks and practice mindfulness activities like yoga or meditation.





Use Mental Health Apps

- Happy App: Free for nurses.
 Call (833) 327-0262 or text
 ANA to (858) 367-3001.
- Other Apps: Calm and Headspace offer guided programs for relaxation and stress relief.



Create Focus Blocks

 Set aside time for important tasks to reduce stress and free up time for enjoyable activities.

Scale Back

- Personal Life: Use services like grocery delivery and take breaks from social media.
- Work: Consider longer breaks between assignments or fewer extra shifts.



Build Your Support Network

 Stay connected with friends and family through regular calls. Join online groups for support.

Explore Your City

 Take advantage of your travels by exploring new places to improve your mood and reduce stress.



Employee Assistance
 Program (EAP): Free for
 TNAA travelers and their
 household members.
 Offers six free therapy
 sessions per event per year.



- Cigna Resources (for TNAA insurance holders):
 - MDLIVE: Non-emergency counseling or psychiatric services.
 - Talkspace: Licensed therapy via app.
 - Happify: Games and activities for stress reduction.



Celebrating Mental Health Awareness Month

Taking care of yourself ensures you can provide the best care for your patients. For more information, visit TNAA's traveler benefits page or contact your recruiter or benefits specialist.