National Recovery Month Tips of the day

WEEK 1: Mindful Beginnings – Reclaiming Self

Create a Morning Ritual

Start your day with a breath or a short prayer. Intention grounds you in recovery.

Hydrate with Purpose

Drink water with gratitude.

3 Affirm Your Journey

Write or recite: I am healing. I carry strength from those who walked before me.

Practice Digital Fasting

Spend a few hours device-free. Be present with yourself and the natural world.

WEEK 2: Body and Spirit - Healing Through Connection

Light a Candle or Burn Sage

Create sacred space to release negativity.
Acknowledge your growth and resilience.

Reflect in Silence

Sit quietly outside or in your home. Listen to your inner voice, the wind, or the birds.

7 Offer a Small Prayer

Acknowledge the Earth's support in your healing.

8 Move in a Sacred Way

Walk, stretch, dance, or practice yoga with the intention of honoring your body.

9 Prepare a Nourishing Meal

Cook with love. Use traditional or whole foods. Food can be medicine.

Use Traditional Medicine

Smudge, drink cedar or mint tea, or sit near healing plants. Let then support your spirit.

Connect With an Elder or Mentor

Call, sit with, or learn from someone wise in your circle. Healing grows in shared stories

Write a Letter to Your Ancestors

Express gratitude, ask for guidance, or share your progress.

Take a Healing

Add cedar, salt, or herbs. Let water wash away stress and pain.

Name Your Emotions

Use journaling or drawing to identify and release difficult feelings. Truth is part of healing.

WEEK 3: Nature as Medicine – Reconnecting With Earth

Spend Time on the Land

Sit under a tree, touch the soil, or walk barefoot. Feel your connection to the Earth.

Watch the Sunrise or Sunset

Let the sky teach you about cycles of hope, rest, and renewal.

Create a Nature Offering

Leave food, flowers, or other traditional plants near water or a tree. Offer thanks to the land

Listen to the Natural World

Turn off distractions. What do the wind, water, or animals tell you today?

Gather Natural Materials for Art

Make a mandala, medicine wheel, or craft using leaves, stones, and feathers.

Follow the Moon

Notice its phase. Reflect on what you need to grow or let go of in your recovery.

Take a Land-Based Nap or Meditation

Lie on the ground, a blanket, or near a window. Imagine being held by the Earth.

WEEK 4: Community, Ceremony, and Continuity

Join a Talking Circle or Recovery Group

Healing is communal. Speak and listen with respect, honesty, and presence.

Create a Vision Board or Healing Bundle

Include symbols, words, or medicines that represent your recovery path and values.

Sing or Drum a Healing Song

Even a simple hum or heartbeat rhythm helps regulate and uplift the spirit.

Make a Gratitude List

List things like your Tribe, stories, language, land, and community traditions.

Reconnect With Your Language

Learn a word, prayer, or dance. Even small acts restore cultural wellness.

Set Boundaries With Love

Say no when needed. Create space for your healing. Boundaries are acts of self-care.

Attend or Create a Personal Ceremony

Honor your recovery with smudging, songs, a fire, or a circle even privately.

Celebrate a Small Victory

Share your progress with a friend, ancestor, or community. Celebrate the small wins.

Honor the Circle of Life

Reflect on your journey as a sacred hoop. Healing is lifelong, and you are part of a larger circle of hope and resilience.



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