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# Tobacco Cessation Quick Reference Guide

## **Getting Ready for Your Next Office Visit—Quitting Tobacco Use**

My Reasons to Quit: \_\_\_\_\_

It's common to feel conflicted about stopping tobacco use. List the pros and cons that go through your mind when you think about quitting.

#### **Cons of Quitting**

Pros of Quitting

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Note: Those positive thoughts and feelings you wrote in the pros box are your motivators to quit. Those negative thoughts and feelings you wrote in the cons box are the conflicting barriers preventing your successful quit attempt.

Timeframe to quit. I want to quit ...

I've already started trying	Within the next 30 days	Within the next 3 months
Within the next 6 months	Within the next year	

• My top tobacco use triggers (i.e. morning cup of coffee, driving, stress, etc)

• My top coping strategies (i.e. use positive self-talk, walk the dog, deep breathing, drink water, etc.)

• My support systems (program or person)- list 3-5 outlets for support

• My benefits to quitting (i.e. More money in my pocket, better quality of life to spend with my children, etc.)

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FDA-Approved cessation medication + counseling program is **proven to be most effective** in helping people quit.

#### 1. Quit Medications

Long-Acting Medications

Nicotine patch

Varenicline (Chantix®)

Bupropion (Zyban® or Wellbutrin®)

Short-Acting Medications
Nicotine gum
Nicotine lozenge
Nicotine nasal spray
Nicotine inhaler

### 2. Tobacco Cessation/Quit Programs

Have tried Willing to before try now

One-on-one, face-to-face tobacco cessation program Group tobacco cessation program Telephonic tobacco cessation program (like 1-800-QUIT-NOW) Online tobacco cessation program Self-Help Guide for Tobacco Cessation

Quit Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Next Steps:**

Connect with healthcare provider to discuss quitting & FDA-approved medications Register for a Cessation Counseling Program, such as <u>Freedom From Smoking</u> Find additional support from friends, family, and/or a Quitline

> For more information about quitting tobacco use, visit the American Lung Association website at Lung.org or call the free Lung HelpLine at 1-800-LUNGUSA (1-800-586-4872).