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My SMART health goal is:

reduce my stress by improving my organizational skills

Challenges to achieving this goal are:

my busy schedule

my history of relying on others to keep me focused

My action steps to overcome my challenges and achieving this goal are:

prioritize my daily “to do” list and check off the item when completed

I will work on one task at a time and avoid distractions

I will monitor my daily progress by:

email a daily log of accomplishments to FASAP coach

My support team is:

my supervisor, my FASAP coach and my best friend

I will discuss my goal progress with my support team on *(select a date in the near future)*: every Friday

CELEBRATE YOUR SUCCESS!
Write below how you will celebrate your goal achievement (for example, “I will buy myself a new outfit”):

I will buy myself a new writing journal

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My SMART health goal is:

to walk for at least 30 minutes 3x week for the next 2 months

Challenges to achieving this goal are:
cold weather, lack of sunlight in the morning and evening, and not having someone to walk with

My action steps to overcome my challenges and achieving this goal are:
I will set out my winter coat, gloves, and hat; ask a family member, friend to walk with me; take the dog walking with me if no one is available

I will monitor my daily progress by:
using the app on my phone and/or marking it on my calendar

My support team is:
my husband, my daughter and my bowling partner

I will discuss my goal progress with my support team on (select a date in the near future):
2 weeks from this Monday

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I will buy myself a new pair of walking shoes

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*My SMART health goal is:*

Lose 5 pounds in the next 30 days

*Challenges to achieving this goal are:*

eating too much candy during the day and having the motivation to exercise

*I will monitor my daily progress by:*

weigh myself each Sunday morning and track my candy intake on my calendar

*My support team is:*

my spouse, my son and neighbor

*I will discuss my goal progress with my support team on (select a date in the near future):*

2 weeks from today

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Write below how you will celebrate your goal achievement (for example, “I will buy myself a new outfit”):

I will get a new manicure and pedicure

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My SMART health goal is: Eat one piece of fruit and one cup of vegetables 3 days a week starting tomorrow

Challenges to achieving this goal are:
Lack of fruits and vegetables at home
The time it takes to prepare and cook vegetables

My action steps to overcome my challenges and achieving this goal are:
I will grocery shop each Sunday afternoon and purchase enough fruits and vegetables for the entire week; I will eat one piece of fruit with breakfast and one cup of vegetables with dinner

I will monitor my daily progress by:
using the MyFitnessPal app to track fruit & vegetable consumption

My support team is:
my co-worker and my neighbor

I will discuss my goal progress with my support team on (select a date in the near future):
3 weeks from tomorrow

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I will purchase a new music CD

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**My SMART health goal is:**

I will quit using tobacco starting 1 month from today

**Challenges to achieving this goal are:**

My partner who smokes

Smoking in my car

**My action steps to overcome my challenges and achieving this goal are:**

Join a quit tobacco program to help me with my action plan to quit

Let my partner know I am quitting and ask for their support

Buy veggies and toothpicks for when I am driving in the car

**I will monitor my daily progress by:**

tracking my tobacco use and my triggers to smoking in my planner

**My support team is:**

my quit tobacco program support group and my sister

**I will discuss my goal progress with my support team on** (select a date in the near future):

each week at my support group meeting, on the phone every Tuesday with my sister

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I will treat myself to a spa day

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to reduce my alcohol use by 7 glasses per week for the next 4 weeks

Challenges to achieving this goal are:

My husband and I enjoy wine and like to have a couple glasses each evening

My action steps to overcome my challenges and achieving this goal are:

I will monitor my daily progress by:

tracking my drinks on the kitchen calendar and the days I avoid alcohol

My support team is:

my husband and my mom

I will discuss my goal progress with my support team on (select a date in the near future):

daily with my husband and each Thursday with my mom

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I will enroll in a local art class

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