### MAY IS MENTAL HEALTH Awareness Month

### What is

### **Mental Health?**

Mental health includes our emotional, psychological, and social well-being. It affects how we think, feel, and act.

### Importance of Mental Health

There is a strong and historical stigma related to healthcare workers seeking care for mental health concerns.\* Maintaining good mental health is essential for overall well-being, enabling us to handle stress, relate to others, and make healthy choices.

\*www.cdc.gov/niosh/healthcare/risk-factors/stress-burnout.html

## ACCESS TO TRAINED COUNSELORS AND MORE.

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# SUPPORTING MENTAL HEALTH

#### **Self-Care**

Get regular exercise, maintain a balanced diet, strive for adequate rest and sleep.

### **Seek Professional Help**

Engage with therapists, counselors, and support groups using your MIT Total Trust Perks through The Hartford Ability Assist Counseling Services offered by ComPsych. Access by phone (800-96-HELPS) or register an account at guidanceresources.com

#### **Be There**

Offer support and listen without judgment.

