

Cama'i Community Health Center Discusses 7 Healthy Practices for a Longer and Happier Life

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-- Cama'i Community Health Center just released a new guide detailing seven rural Alaskan lifestyle <u>practices</u> for living a longer and healthier life.
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These practices have been integral to the native community of rural Alaska for generations. But by adopting these practices into daily life, living a fulfilling and healthy life can be possible for anyone.

Seeking modern solutions to healthcare challenges is the typical road that most healthcare



organizations follow. But lifestyle practices of rural Alaska are not modern – and they may offer healthcare benefits that encompass not only the physical body but the mind and spirit as well.

These lifestyle practices include:

- Connection to the Natural World
- Outdoor Physical Activity
- Traditional Diets
- Community Engagement
- Holistic Healing
- Cultural Pride
- Adaptability and Resilience

Rural Alaskan lifestyles may have a lot of benefits. However, living in this part of the country also comes with numerous challenges that can affect one's health. A few of these challenges include limited access to healthcare services, transportation difficulties, mental health issues, inadequate sanitation, environmental hazards, frequent inclement weather, and a limited

healthcare workforce.

Living in an extreme environment presents rural Alaskans with not only a challenging landscape to live in, but the need to rely on traditional lifestyles in order to face these challenges as a community. This close-knit community fabric offers a sense of camaraderie and social support that can play a crucial role in mental well-being and greater behavioral health – which ultimately may lead to longer happier lives.

Traditional lifestyles combined with holistic healing practices also offer rural Alaskans a great benefit – as the combination of modern medicine and traditional remedies are often used in tandem.

At Cama'i Community Health Center, we have behavioral health care and primary care personnel who are committed to offering services for residents in our remote community. And we understand how isolation and loneliness can prevent you from living a healthy life. But you don't have to suffer alone from health ailments with access to our services.

For more information about rural Alaskan healthcare, reach out to Cama'i Community Health Center to <u>schedule an appointment</u>.

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