



**CHRONIC JOY®**

Ministering to those affected by:  
Chronic Illness, Mental Illness,  
Chronic Pain, & Disability

## 7 WAYS TO THANK CARE-PROVIDERS

Here are 7 simple ways to thank care-providers and remind them of how very much their care and expertise are needed and appreciated.

### 1. SAY "THANK YOU!"

Sometimes all it takes to brighten a provider's day is a quick smile and a genuine "Thank you!" – and it doesn't cost a thing.

Do you want your "thank you" to mean even more? Point out something specific you appreciated, such as:

Thank you for:

- clearly explaining my diagnosis and treatment plan.
- patiently describing upcoming tests, procedures, or surgeries.
- carefully communicating how to use a new medication, possible side-effects, and how to know if the medication is working.
- your kind, efficient, and compassionate care.
- your patience today.

### 2. HANDWRITE A CARD

Is there is care-provider who consistently goes above and beyond or out of their way to help you? Thank them! Most care-providers receive only negative feedback, so praise from a patient might be the most encouraging moment of their week.

### 3. WRITE A POSITIVE REVIEW

Writing a positive review online is quick and easy, and it can make a big difference for your provider and for other patients looking for quality care.

### 4. PARTICIPATE IN SURVEYS & FILL OUT FEEDBACK REQUESTS

When possible, complete hospital and/or clinic feedback requests or surveys. When a care-provider's name is included, he or she will often receive some type of well-earned recognition.



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### 5. MAKE A DONATION IN YOUR CARE-PROVIDER'S NAME

Donating to a nonprofit in your care-provider's name is a wonderful way to honor their kind and compassionate commitment to their patients.

### 6. REFER FRIENDS AND LOVED ONES

Referrals are high praise in the healthcare community! So talk up your favorite providers and don't be shy about referring friends and loved ones when they're seeking a great new doctor.

### 7. PRAY FOR CARE-PROVIDERS

Medical professionals are too often overworked and underappreciated. Praying for them might be the absolute best thing we can do for them.

- Pray for their strength and endurance
- Pray they find hope and beauty in unexpected places
- Pray for refreshing and renewing rest
- Pray for community to surround, support, and encourage them

## PRAYERS FOR CARE-PROVIDERS

### A PRAYER FOR CARE-PROVIDERS

We're grateful, Lord, for the gifts and abilities You have given to Your people who serve in the medical field. Give them alertness and discretion when making diagnoses, kindness and a discerning ear when listening, wisdom and clarity when providing treatment, graciousness in partnering with other healthcare professionals, and diligence and a caring heart in the ongoing treatment of their patients. Bless them as they serve You, Lord. Amen.

### A PRAYER TO SHARE WITH CARE-PROVIDERS

Lord, please be with me today as I care for my patients.  
Strengthen me to serve.

Remind me to listen with patience and understanding.  
Fill my words with kindness and compassion,  
my touch with tenderness and skill.

Remind me to be humble instead of hurried,  
So that *Your love* shines through everything I do.  
In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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