

HealthFlex Mini-Summit—March 2021

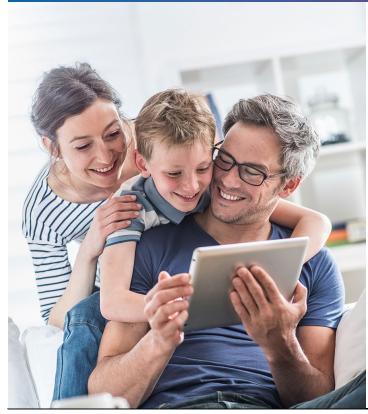


# **Engaging Participants in Health and Well-Being**



- What Is an Engaged Participant?
- Monitoring Engagement with Metrics
- Making Engagement Easier
- How You Can Help

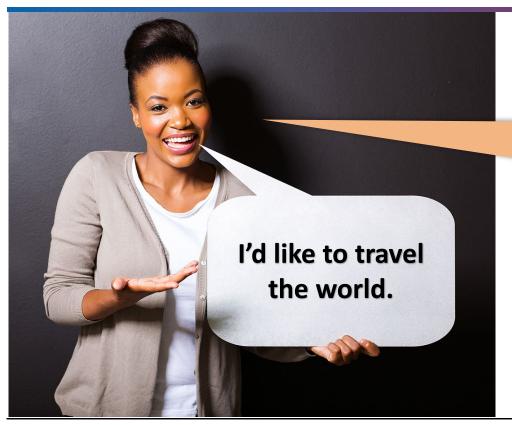
# **Engagement Definition**



#### An engaged Wespath participant:

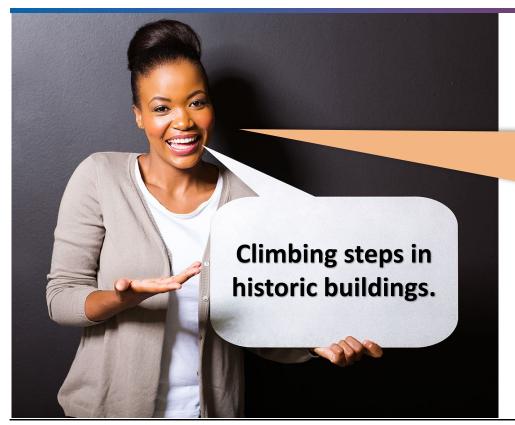
- Takes time to properly research and understand their benefits
- Creates a vision of the future and considers different options before choosing a direction
- Monitors progress and makes changes to adjust and fine-tune the effectiveness of the current selection
- Makes progress toward set goals across different dimensions

Requires intentional actions instead of passive behavior



Healthy enough to climb steps in historic buildings.

Savings to cover more than daily expenses.



Need my legs stronger, more endurance.

I think I have coaching and an activity tracking benefit through HealthFlex—let me learn more about those!

Saving to cover more than daily expenses.

How much do I need for that? What financial planning resources do I have available to me through Wespath so I can figure out next steps to start a budget and figure how much I may need for daily expenses in retirement?

I'll use my Wespath benefits to help me meet these goals.

I'll make a specific steps goal with Virgin Pulse; participate in coaching or diabetes prevention.

I'll get help making a budget and savings goal from EY.

# How Wespath Monitors Engagement

#### **Physical Health**

- Preventive screenings
- Health Check completion
- VP Levels completion
- BFW completion
- Coaching engagement
- Wellness Credits

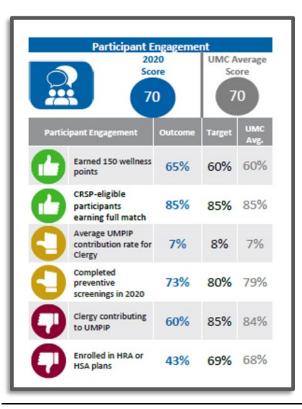
#### **Emotional Health**

- EAP utilization
- Health check completion
- Behavioral health utilization
- Coaching engagement
- Wellness credits

#### **Financial Health**

- Enrolling in HRA/HSA plans
- Personal health account contributions
- Contributions to UMPIP
  - Percentage
  - Average contribution
  - % not getting match
- EY utilization
- Benefits Access usage

# **Sharing Progress with Plan Sponsors**



### **Benefit Plans Summary Report:** HealthFlex-specific engagement metrics

- Well-being program participation
- Hits to ALEX Benefits Counselor and active enrollment during AE
- Plan choice trend vs. Lowest net cost plan
- Health Account contributions and HSA savings and investments
- Screenings and cost-effective care

# Why Does it Matter?

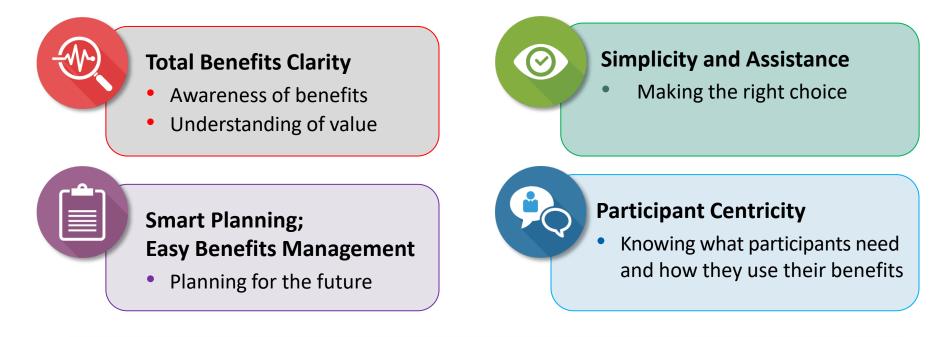
- Actions give clues to participants' understanding and use of benefits toward future goals:
  - Almost 50% of U.S. adults trying to lose weight\*
  - 25% of Americans have no retirement savings\*\*
- As benefits professionals, we can use these metrics to determine what to promote, educate and incentivize

\*The National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey

\*\* Forbes/Federal Reserve



# What May Make Engagement Easier?



Themes from Participant Research

# **Improving Benefits Clarity**

Awareness of benefits and understanding their value

- Benefits Access and Virgin Pulse to replace WebMD for online experience
- Onboarding emails for new participants
- Education and training
  - Partnership with Benefits Education



# Sunset HealthFlex/WebMD—June 1, 2021

### **Immediate Benefits**

- Information presented in a more user-friendly way in Benefits Access and Virgin Pulse
- Combined with retirement information for those who have it
- All well-being information together
- Benefits Access Single sign ons:
  - Blue Cross and United Healthcare
  - OptumRx, Benefitsolver, HealthEquity/WageWorks
  - Quest (SSO also coming to Virgin Pulse in Q2)
  - Virgin Pulse SSO coming to Benefits Access Q2

#### **Considerations**

- HealthFlex-covered spouses can't access Benefits Access
- Registration challenges with Lexis Nexis match
- Two-factor authentication



#### **Online Participant Engagement Timeline** June 1, 2021: February 2021: December 2020: HealthFlex/WebMD HealthFlex FAQ for New Benefits Access site not available launch **Benefits Access** January 2021: March-May 2021: Virgin Pulse Targeted BA and VP **Enhancements** registration emails

# **Onboarding Communications Series**

#### **Communications for new members**

#### • January:

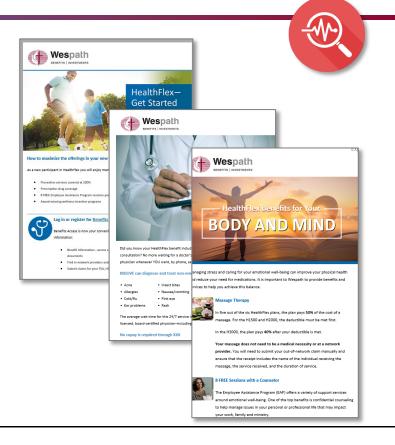
- Welcome (Benefits Access, Incentives)
- Wellness Overview

#### • February:

- MDLIVE registration
- Massage Therapy and EAP

#### • March:

Virgin Pulse enrollment 3-part series



# **Education and Training**

- Webinars
- Benefit Education Core Products:
  - Health and WellnessPrograms Workshop

Benefits Education Core Products and Services (continued)

#### United Methodist Personal Investment Plan Workshop

**Overview:** This workshop provides an overview of UMPIP. It covers the contribution types, limits, LifeStage Investment Management and services available to participants.

Audience: Clergy and lay participants, as well as conference and nonconference plan sponsors

Duration: 45-60 minutes

Bonus: Educational materials will be provided to all participants (materials mailed for virtual workshops). On-site or virtual one-on-one benefits education consultations are offered with this event.

#### HealthFlex Health and Wellness Programs Workshop

Overview: This workshop provides a broad overview of the health and wellness programs offered through HealthFlex. This presentation can be provided as a stand-alone offering or included a part of an event covering additional topics.

Audience: HealthFlex participants and plan sponsors

Duration: 60-90 minutes



# Improving Simplicity and Assistance

#### Making the Right Choice

- ALEX Benefits Counselor
- Making the Most of Your Plan
- Targeted HSA contribution education
- Well-being recommendations from HealthCheck, Blueprint for Wellness
- **Exploring for future:** Using lowest cost plan data to customize individual communications



# **Smart Planning and Benefits Management**

#### Planning for the Future

- Well-being Program Promotion:
  - Coaching
  - Diabetes Prevention
  - Well-being incentives
- Education on health plan choice and health account contributions



### Real Life Example: Diabetes Prevention

#### **Goal for the Future**

- Achieve a healthy target weight
- Avoid becoming a fullblown diabetic and reverse pre-diabetes

#### **Intentional Action**

- Enroll in Omada, complete 2 year program
- Track steps, create reminders in Virgin Pulse
- Complete Blueprint for Wellness and share with doctor, set yearly goals

#### Result

- Lost 26 lbs
- A1C reduced: 7.1 to 5.0
- Able to stop Metformin and Trulicity



### Real Life Example: Health Savings

#### **Goal for the Future**

- Pay family's significant medical expenses with pre-tax money
- Develop designated savings for future family medical expenses

**Intentional Action** 

- Enroll in H3000 plan (2017)
- Contribute maximum to HSA + health care FSA each year
- Rolled over \$6,000+ into HSA as of 2021

Result

 Began investing a portion of HSA balance for further into the future



### Real Life Example: Virgin Pulse Cash

#### **Goal for the Future**

- Be more active
- Travel to Hawaii

**Intentional Action** 

- Enroll in Virgin Pulse
- Track activity to maximize Pulse Cash
- Save Pulse Cash

#### Result

 Vacation to Hawaii paid by Pulse Cash



### **Participant Centricity**

Knowing what participants needs; how they use benefits

- Participant research completed in 2020 those enrolled in B1000
- Participant research planned for 2021 well-being focus



### How You Can Help Participants Engage



- Promote programs and share education
- Solicit and share success stories
- Monitor population progress and set goals for improvement
- Consider defaults

HealthFlex/Wespath positively impacts the health and productivity of those who serve the UMC



### **Polling Question**



What would you like to see Wespath promote in onboarding communications?

### **Polling Question**



What support do you want from Wespath to bolster your efforts to engage participants?