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Blanche Kahn Medical Center  
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**Dear Friend,**

Welcome to the HASC Diagnostic and Treatment Center, *Healthy Highlights* newsletter. See inside for the most up to date news from our medical center, and what we are doing to better service you!

**A message from the Medical Director: Beware of Ticks and Tick-Borne Diseases in the NYC Area**



It may come as no surprise to you to know that ticks can carry disease, but many people are unaware that ticks are no longer hanging out in wooded areas only, and recently surveillance of NYS has showed that ticks and tick borne diseases are moving into the NYC region.

While Lyme disease continues to be the most prevalent tick-borne disease in New York State (NYS), other tick-borne diseases such as babesiosis and anaplasmosis are spreading geographically within the state too. In NYC the American dog tick is common, while on Long Island Deer and Lone Star ticks are more common. Ticks are generally most active from spring to early fall, so now is the time to be on the lookout.

Tick-borne disease symptoms vary by type of infection and can include fever, fatigue, headache, and rash. Individuals who suspect that they may have been bitten should contact their providers for further examination.

### Wii in Physical Therapy

The BKMC always strives to provide our patients with the highest quality of care. This includes using the most up to date therapeutic interventions and equipment for the therapy. The Wii Fit has proven to be an excellent tool for treating balance, and our facility is proud to announce that we now have the Wii Fit installed and ready for use.



#### How can the Wii Fit be used for therapy?

The Wii Fit is quickly becoming a popular therapeutic tool being used across a variety of medical rehabilitative and habilitative centers to treat both upper and lower extremities. It has proven to be a great therapeutic tool for all patients from the pediatric to the geriatric years. The Wii is an interactive way for patients to safely exercise and work to increase flexibility, endurance, balance and coordination. The system even has the capacity to track patient progress making it easy to see how each person has progressed while using the system.

### Moving to Electronic Medical Records

Our facility continues to move towards a switch to electronic record documentation. Training with our new system has begun and providers are making their way onto the system. If you haven't seen it already, the system should allow for easier access to your visit summaries, electronic prescriptions and more.

### DSM 5 and Other Mental Health Changes

Beginning October First, in accordance with regulation, the BKMC will be transferring all coding to DSM 5. Our therapists have all been trained and are preparing for the upcoming change. While this doesn't affect your treatment, we want you to know that we have you covered.

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Wishing everyone a healthy and happy summer. Remember to stay hydrated and keep cool.

**Sincerely,**

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