

## The insight to change things

Many of us let our own health slip down our list of priorities. Whether we're too busy at work, focusing on looking after our families, ignoring symptoms or simply unaware of an issue, it can be difficult to find the right route to wellbeing.

Our health assessments make it easier for your employees to see where to focus their efforts. And our onward care and coaching support can help ensure that even small steps can add up to great strides. Meanwhile, you'll enjoy the cumulative effect of a healthier, happier, more motivated workforce.

Discover the range of assessments and coaching services you can choose from to help your people manage their health and aim higher.

185.6 million

The estimated number of working days lost because of sickness or injury in the UK in 2022.<sup>1</sup>





## Introduction

## **Experienced guidance**

At AXA Health, we deliver on average 12,600 health assessments a year,<sup>2</sup> each one underpinned by clinical protocols that follow the latest guidance. Which means you can be sure your teams are in safe hands to understand their health better and take their first steps in the right direction.

We go beyond the clinical detail to give your employees the practical, professional guidance they need to reduce their health risks, including those related specifically to their role in your business.

We look at mental health in many of our assessments, too. So your teams can get insights and guidance on stress, emotional health and general mental wellbeing, promoting a positive outlook at work and beyond.

And we know that one size doesn't fit all. So you can choose the assessments that fit your budget and support your unique business goals.

12,600

The average number of health assessments we provide at AXA Health per year.<sup>2</sup>

## **Onward support**

Our support doesn't stop at the assessment. What happens next is just as vital. So, once an employee has their results, we'll guide them to the services you have in place to support them, whether they're provided by AXA Health or not.

For example, we might point at-risk individuals towards their employee assistance programme or an occupational health<sup>3</sup> referral for expert-led guidance. And in some cases, they may be eligible for one-to-one health coaching to help them make positive changes and adopt healthy habits that last.

They'll also find support online on our wellbeing platform. If they update their results, the platform will personalise the information they see every time they visit. For you, the aggregated, anonymous information will contribute to a holistic view of your organisational health.

93%

of respondents felt satisfied after having their assessment.<sup>4</sup>

Step 1



Employee completes an assessment on the AXA Health app or books their health assessment via the app or on the online booking tool. Alternatively, they order their remote blood test kit.

Step 2



They confirm their appointment and receive booking confirmation by email. If a remote blood test has been ordered, a testing kit will be sent out in the post with instructions on how to complete and return the test.

Step 3

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The employee attends their assessment. This could be onsite, remote, on Teams or by phone depending on the chosen assessment.

Step 4



The results of the assessment will determine whether any onward support is necessary.

Health coaching or mental wellbeing coaching may be recommended based on the results of a Wellbeing Consultation, a Know Your Numbers assessment or a mental wellbeing assessment on the AXA Health app.

## **Health assessments**

## The right insights at the right time

We'll work with you to help you achieve your wellbeing ambition, whatever the scale or budget, and whether you're planning for the short or long term.

#### **Choose from:**

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AXA Health Age Calculator		$\checkmark$						$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		V								
Mental wellbeing assessment								$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$		V								
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Cholesterol and glucose test	0				$\checkmark$															
Know Your Numbers assessment	0				$\checkmark$			$\checkmark$		W	$\checkmark$					$\checkmark$	V	$\checkmark$		
Wellbeing Consultation assessment		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$			$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	W	$\checkmark$	V	$\checkmark$	V	W	V	V	$\checkmark$		
Executive health screening	$\bigcirc$				$\checkmark$	V	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$							$\checkmark$		

Women's health

Sleep and fatigue

Family history

Help your remote teams work at their best with:

Ergonomics assessment	
Workstation assessment	O.
Pregnancy assessment	



Remote blood test

Resilience

Mental wellbeing coaching





**DURATION FOR EACH**10 minutes

## Take the first steps to understanding and action

Help your employees understand what their lifestyle means for their health. Capture insights about your organisational wellbeing. And inspire people to take those small steps that lead to big changes.

Our digital health assessment tools are included as standard on our wellbeing platform, helping to engage people and deliver genuine health change across businesses like yours.

## **AXA Health Age Calculator**

How does the way we live affect our bodies? Encourage your teams to find out with this easy-to-use online tool.

Using theoretical research and market-leading wellbeing best practice, their answers to a series of lifestyle questions will be interpreted as a motivating 'health age'. They'll then be given bite-size guidance on the small steps that can make a big difference to their health.

- Analyses the correlation of key health and lifestyle factors – mental health, nutrition, sleep, cancer risk, musculoskeletal wear and activity – to give accurate scores and tailored guidance.
- Offers achievable ways to help everyone find their route to wellbeing, no matter how far they have to travel.

- Invites your employees to add achievements, like lbs lost or a kms covered, and celebrate the impact on their health age.
- Lets them tweak health and lifestyle changes to see how they can affect their 'health age' results.
- Constructively encourages a fitter, healthier, more active and motivated workforce.





**DELIVERY** digital



**DELIVERED BY**AXA Health

#### Mental wellbeing assessment

Positivity works in ways that bad news can't. That's why this non-clinical assessment looks at thriving and excelling, as well as mental health needs.

Looking at the relationship between factors like life satisfaction, happiness, stress, resilience, self-esteem, sleep and social connections, this easy-to-use online assessment helps your people think about how well they deal with things, how they see themselves, how their world influences them and their state of mind.

Reveals the thinking and actions each person needs to focus on. Achievable steps and nudges help them get where they want to be. A percentage score across five areas – current state of mind, skills, beliefs, lifestyle and financial wellbeing – makes it easy for users to track their progress and see positive gains.

- Invites employees to retake the assessment periodically to see the effects of their behaviour change. Refreshes guidance as their scores change, helping them develop new areas. Constructively encourages a more positive, present, contemplative workforce.
- Recommends services for people who may need more support, if available as part of your package, like their employee assistance programme or health coaching. Signposts to additional help, such as the emergency services or Samaritans.

"We're driving the market forward with a fresh approach to mental wellbeing."

NICK FOX, HEAD OF PROPOSITIONS, AXA HEALTH



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## **Onsite assessments made easy**

Who can resist a machine with touchscreens and buttons to press? Ok, so our interactive, clinically robust health assessment kiosk is more sophisticated than this, but the principle is the same. People can't help but find out what happens when they interact.

Step on to the scales, follow the instructions and receive results for some key – often neglected – health biometrics, marked on a scorecard. It's an affordable and easy-to-implement way of getting your teams engaged with their health, empowering them to make informed health choices and boosting health awareness across your business.

#### Each assessment looks at:

- Height, weight, BMI
- Blood pressure and heart rate
- Body fat percentage
- Visceral fat
- Body water percentage
- Metabolic rate
- Metabolic age.



**DURATION** 5 minutes

per assessment



**DELIVERY** onsite



**NO. OF ASSESSMENTS** 

hire our assessment machine for a day or more



SUPPORT

templates, posters and other materials

#### Clear next-steps guidance

Each report explains the results in full so your employees can choose what to do next. They'll be able to see how their health is likely to be affected if they don't take steps to improve their wellbeing. And any problems like high blood pressure are flagged for them to do something about.

## Connects with our wellbeing platform

Having their vital statistics at hand also means they can fill out their AXA Health Age Calculator<sup>6</sup> when they're back at their desks. And filling in their Health Age Calculator means their wellbeing platform can offer a more personalised experience, with guidance, tips and support right for their needs. Everything's connected.



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<sup>6</sup>The AXA Health Age Calculator is a tool on our wellbeing platform. Buy our wellbeing platform separately, or receive it with our compliments for the whole of your workforce with AXA Health's corporate private healthcare schemes, employee assistance programme or occupational health service.

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## Help head off serious complications before they happen

If your levels of bad cholesterol become too high and your levels of good cholesterol too low, your risk of developing cardiovascular complications such as heart disease and stroke increases.

Similarly, if your glucose levels are raised, you could have problems regulating your blood sugar, putting you at risk of developing type 2 diabetes, a condition that could affect more than five million people in the UK by 2025, according to Diabetes UK (2020).

This ten-minute test tells your employees if they're vulnerable to these serious conditions and gives

them the chance to do something about it if they are.

Our physiologist will talk your employees through their results, helping them understand why improving their cholesterol and glucose levels matters and what to do. They can also direct employees on to further support if needed.

You'll demonstrate your commitment to helping your colleagues avoid ill health, reducing potential absence and health complications as a result.

#### Each assessment looks at:

- Total cholesterol
- HDL (high-density lipoprotein) cholesterol
- Total/HDL cholesterol
- Blood glucose.



#### DURATION 10 minutes

per assessment



## **DELIVERY** onsite



## **DELIVERED BY** an AXA Health physiologist



NO. OF ASSESSMENTS up to 36 a day



#### SUPPORT

templates for emails, posters and other materials

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## Time well spent

It's easy to let keeping track of our health fall down our list of priorities. That's where this ever-popular onsite assessment comes in. After all, everyone can find 15 minutes to check in on their health and find out how to make healthy lifestyle changes.

The format is simple. A physiologist will either come and meet your people onsite to carry out some tests and run through the results, or they'll arrange to complete these assessments remotely. Either way, each employee will get an understanding of their health measured against key health markers. It's the perfect way to kickstart health awareness across your business.

#### **Know Your Numbers looks at:**

- Height, weight, BMI
- Blood pressure and heart rate
- Blood glucose
- Total/high-density lipoprotein cholesterol
- Lifestyle and nutrition

- Exercise and alcohol consumption
- Sleep and fatigue
- Stress and anxiety
- Resilience.

92%

of respondents felt satisfied after having their assessment.8



#### DURATION

15 minutes per assessment



#### **DELIVERY**

onsite, remote (video or phone)



#### **DELIVERED BY**

an AXA Health physiologist



NO. OF ASSESSMENTS

up to 24 a day



#### **SUPPORT**

templates for emails, posters and other materials

### Clear next-steps guidance

If any health risks show up, our physiologist will suggest some improvements to get employees back on track. They can also guide them to other support services you have access to, such as your employee assistance programme, occupational health services or our one-to-one health coaching service, if you've chosen this for your teams from our range of wellbeing services.<sup>9</sup>

### Connects with our wellbeing platform

Having their vital statistics at hand also means your people can go online and fill out their AXA Health Age Calculator<sup>10</sup> when they're back at their desks. And filling in their Health Age Calculator means their wellbeing platform can be personalised more closely to their needs. Everything's connected.



"It was so straightforward and easy. Great to have immediate results and talk through how to make changes"

KNOW YOUR NUMBERS PARTICIPANT

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**AVAILABLE COACHING SERVICE:** 

<sup>8</sup>AXA Health customer feedback, 313 respondents for Know Your Numbers from July 2022 to Dec 2023. <sup>9</sup>Health coaching helps your at-risk employees live healthier lives. Read more at <u>axahealth.co.uk/EmployeeWellbeing/</u>

HealthCoaching <sup>10</sup>The AXA Health Age Calculator is a tool on our wellbeing platform. Buy our wellbeing platform separately, or receive it with our compliments for the whole of your workforce with AXA Health's corporate private healthcare schemes, employee assistance programme or occupational health service.

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## Help your people find the right route to wellbeing

When it comes to improving our health it can be hard to know where to start. A Wellbeing Consultation assessment can help your employees take that first step in the right direction. With 30 minutes for each review, it means there's time to explore their mental wellbeing as well as lifestyle factors. And to set those all-important goals.

This comprehensive assessment can be completed at your office, or it can be done remotely or by phone. Whatever works best for you and your people. The consultation is designed to give your employees a holistic view of their health so they can see where they're doing well and where they need to take steps to look after themselves better, both physically and mentally.

#### Each consultation looks at:

- Height, weight, BMI
- Blood pressure and heart rate
- Blood glucose
- Total/ HDL (high-density lipoprotein) cholesterol
- Lifestyle and nutrition
- Exercise and alcohol consumption
- Family history
- Sleep and fatigue
- Stress and anxiety
- Emotional health
- Psychological health
- Resilience.



#### DURATION

30 minutes per assessment



#### **DELIVERY**

onsite, remote (video or phone)



#### **DELIVERED BY**

an AXA Health physiologist



**NO. OF ASSESSMENTS** 

up to 12 a day



#### **SUPPORT**

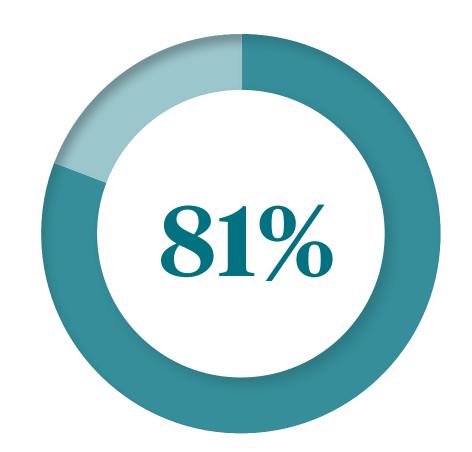
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#### Connecting your employees to better health

If any health risks show up during their consultation, our physiologist will suggest some actions your employee can take to get on the right track. They'll point them towards the support they can get from your occupational health service or employee assistance programme. If their health risks are particularly high, and you've chosen health coaching<sup>11</sup> for your teams from our range of wellbeing services, they can be referred for further support.

## Integrates with our wellbeing platform

Having their vital statistics at hand also means they can go online and fill out their AXA Health Age Calculator<sup>12</sup> when they've finished their consultation. And filling in their Health Age Calculator means their wellbeing platform can be personalised more closely to their needs. Everything's connected, helping your teams stay positive and productive at work.



felt empowered to make a positive lifestyle change.<sup>13</sup> Next, contact your account manager for more information.

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**AVAILABLE COACHING SERVICES:** 

<sup>11</sup>1-2-1 health coaching empowers your at-risk employees to live healthier lives. Read more at <u>axahealth.co.uk/EmployeeWellbeing/HealthCoaching</u> <sup>12</sup>The AXA Health Age Calculator is a tool on our wellbeing platform. Buy our wellbeing platform separately, or receive it with our compliments for the whole of your workforce with AXA Health's corporate private healthcare schemes, employee assistance programme or occupational health service. <sup>13</sup>AXA Health customer feedback, 580 respondents for Know Your Numbers, Wellbeing Consultation and Health Coaching services from July 2022 to Dec 2023.

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Give your executives the health insights they need to target behaviour change and there's no telling what they'll achieve next. Working with Nuffield Health we offer an extensive range of doctor-led assessments, tests and follow-up pathways to encourage healthy change in the people that you rely on to lead your business.

#### **How it works:**

- 1. Pick a package of assessments from the chart.
- 2. Your executive employees take control with access to a secure Nuffield Health platform.
- 3. They fill out a health risk analysis online, giving details of their age, medical history and lifestyle.
- 4. Their platform points them to supportive information and services while their pathway plan is put together.
- **5.** Next, your employees are booked-in for a face-to-face health assessment.
- 6. Armed with the knowledge about where they need to make changes, they're supported with an action plan. And, if you've chosen AXA Health's health coaching for your teams from our range of wellbeing services, they can be referred for one-to-one follow ups to help them see it through.<sup>14</sup>



**DURATION** 1 – 3 hours



**DELIVERY** onsite



**DELIVERED BY**Nuffield Health

### **Getting started is easy**

Pick the assessment package to suit your business:

	Duration / package name									
Assessment	Executive Health 60	Executive Health 90	Executive Health 120	Executive Health 150						
Online risk assessment (Trium)	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$							
Trium module recommendations	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$							
Height, weight, BMI										
Waist circumference	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$							
Blood pressure										
Body fat percentage			$\checkmark$							
Water percentage										
Cholesterol profile	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$							
Blood glucose										
Urine analysis	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$								
C19 antibody test										
Physiologist-led modules	×	×	1 x 30mins	✓ 2 x 30mins						
Doctor-led modules	1 x 30mins	√ 2 x 30mins	2 x 30mins	2 x 30mins						

The physiologist-led modules, included in Executive Health 120 and 150, look at:

- Back and posture health
- Diabetes prevention
- Energy and sleep health
- Stress and resilience management
- Healthy weight loss
- Fitness.

The doctor-led modules comprise:

- Bone health
- Alcohol review
- Sexually transmitted infection screen
- Sexual function
- General health and blood check.

And, if you choose a package with both physiologist-led and doctor-led modules together, you also get:

■ Routine heart check.

An extensive health assessment gives your business leaders a full understanding of their health, giving them the power to make positive changes.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup>1-2-1 health coaching empowers your at-risk employees to live healthier lives. Read more at <u>axahealth.co.uk/EmployeeWellbeing/HealthCoaching</u>



## Working safely and healthily at home or in the office

Wherever we're working, posture, position and equipment can directly affect our health and productivity. And setting up workstations badly can contribute to pain, strain and illness.

Our ergonomic assessments help pinpoint the issues that might be contributing to discomfort and pain. And they can help your people set up their workstations well wherever they are, at home or in the office.

#### **Assessments can cover:**

- Home-working setup
- Posture
- Musculoskeletal discomfort and pain
- Working during pregnancy.<sup>15</sup>

## Practical guidance with real results

Our clinicians will look at where and how your employees work and ask them about their health concerns and job role. They'll suggest ways for your employees to make the most of the equipment they already have. And they'll share their outcomes and recommendations with you. These may include recommending in-person assessments.<sup>16</sup>



**DURATION**30 minutes
per assessment



**DELIVERY** onsite or phone



DELIVERED BY
AXA Health
occupational
health specialists

## Flexible to suit your business needs

You can book ergonomic assessments to support your people whenever you need to. When someone has had a workstation assessment and needs a little extra help feeling comfortable, for example. When they've started home-working and need guidance on their workstation set up. When they have a health condition or disability which may be made worse by tasks and postures. Or when they've got a new starter with reported underlying health concerns or disabilities.

## **Thorough assessment**

Your employee will have peace of mind that their health and safety is being cared for. Our clinicians will guide them through their assessment.

And they'll get appointment reminders beforehand to make sure they don't forget to attend.

## **Expert clinicians**

Our experienced occupational health team are trained in delivering comprehensive remote clinical assessments. All assessments are underpinned by clinical protocols that adhere to the latest clinical best practice. Setting up ergonomic equipment remotely can prove challenging, so our clinicians will be armed with practical ways to encourage and empower your employee to optimise their workplace with equipment they already have.

## Clear results and recommendations

We'll email both your referring manager and employee a full report with clear recommendations and no technical jargon. These may include recommending face-to-face assessments when it's safe to have them.

## Simple steps to arrange appointment:

Contact us to let us know the assessment you'd like.

We'll get in touch with them to get their consent and arrange their assessment.

Fill out and send a referral form with your employee's contact details.

They'll get a reminder about their appointment beforehand so they don't miss it.

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<sup>15</sup>Client must complete a pregnancy risk assessment prior to referral. <sup>16</sup>All assessments make sure you're adopting best practices in line with The Health and Safety at Work Act, DSE Regulations (Display Screen Equipment) and Workstation Ergonomics.

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## **Onward support**

## Guidance during every step of the journey

Our support doesn't stop after an employee has completed an assessment. Sticking to positive changes can be a real challenge, so what happens next is just as important.

Once your employee has their results, we'll help ensure your health programme works harder for you by guiding them to any relevant support services you have in place – whether they're provided by AXA Health or not. For some employees, this could include one of our coaching services.

Our health coaching service offers one-to-one support to those who are trying to form healthy habits or stick to positive changes, while mental wellbeing coaching provides personalised guidance for those that need help maintaining or improving their mental health.

These coaching services are available for you to add to your programme together, or as standalone additions to your health and wellbeing offering.





## Making healthy changes that last

Help your people manage their health and make positive lifestyle changes they can stick to with personal, one-to-one guidance, expertise and encouragement from our health coaching service.

Whether they need help tackling existing health risks, motivation to exercise or advice on building healthier sleeping habits, this service empowers your people to live healthier lives. They'll be able to get:

- one-to-one coaching from their personal health coach via a dedicated app
- personal, goal-based support and inspiration via email or in-app messaging
- guidance to available onward support services.

#### What's included?

#### One-to-one coaching

Employees engage in regular, convenient coaching sessions to help them stay motivated and learn sustainable, healthy habits. Expert support is available via the app or over the phone and the coaching period usually lasts for 12 weeks, depending on the employee's needs.

#### **Quality support from qualified experts**

Each of our health coaches is a fully trained physiologist with at least a BSc in a health-related degree. They also receive thorough training on the principles of coaching, motivational interviewing and behaviour change. We can assign expert health coaches, such as nutritionists, for particular employee needs.

#### App-based help and motivation

The My Coach app enables people to track and record their results, share goals and send videos, photos and texts to their coach. The app is designed to allow and encourage employees to engage with it in their own time, so they can comment, contribute and gain insights when it's most convenient for them.

#### Signposting to onward support

Our health coaches can also connect your employees to any relevant support that's available to them with your health programme. For example, if someone needs help with challenges in their personal life, a coach can direct them to your employee assistance programme (EAP). Or if they need help with a specific health issue, coaches can point them towards a relevant AXA Health support pathway.

#### **Extended coaching**

If one of your employees has a more significant health risk, such as diabetes or obesity, we can offer extended coaching. This includes one-to-one coaching for up to 24 weeks, enabling a coach to work with them for longer and spend more time helping them understand their situation, setting realistic goals and having regular follow-ups to actively turn their health around.

## The benefits to your business

### It can help reduce absences

An estimated 185.6 million working days were lost because of sickness or injury in 2022, with minor illnesses accounting for 29.3% of these.<sup>17</sup> Lifestyle factors play a significant part in maintaining the immune system and keeping people healthy, but our research<sup>18</sup> has found:

of people in the UK don't eat five portions of fruit and veg a day.

of working women aged 18-24 don't regularly get over 150 mins of moderate exercise a week.

of people in the UK don't often wake up feeling rested.

Health coaching is a preventative, proactive approach to healthcare that tackles these kinds of lifestyle challenges to help reduce the minor illnesses that lead to absences. It does this by motivating people to manage their health and adopt healthy habits in their day-to-day lives.

## It's forward-thinking

Based on Henley Business School's critical review of the evidence for coaching in the healthcare system, 19 health coaching can help health professionals improve patient outcomes. The review calls for health stakeholders to take forward health coaching as part of both employee wellbeing, and patient care.

## **Healthy results**

On average,<sup>20</sup> employees who completed their health coaching programme with the aid of the My Coach app experienced:

reduction of weight-height ratio improvement

total cholesterol reduction



DURATION 20 minute consultation



**DELIVERY** digital or phone



**DELIVERED BY AXA Health** 

#### **How it works:**

Health coaching is available to those who've had a relevant challenge or health risk identified in a Know Your Numbers assessment or a Wellbeing Consultation assessment.<sup>21</sup>

If an employee is deemed to be at risk<sup>22</sup> after completing one of these assessments, they can be referred to the health coaching service. They'll download the My Coach app and be put in touch with their personal coach for an initial 20-minute telephone or video consultation to explore which areas need improvement and identify any barriers to better health.

The result? A personalised, realistic action plan and ongoing support from their dedicated coach available through the app.

"I am more calm and have more energy since my headaches disappeared and I am more happy. I am less stressed and I now pay attention to what I eat."

HEALTH COACHING AND MENTAL WELLBEING COACHING PARTICIPANT BARCLAYS

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<sup>21</sup>The wellbeing assessments we offer, which support onward coaching referral, include our Know Your Numbers assessment or the Wellbeing Consultation assessment. We'll work with you to offer the right referral route for your business. <sup>22</sup>A person is deemed to be at risk when their health markers go beyond recommended levels and increases their chance of ill health or disease. The markers that AXA Health uses are NICE and / or NHS guidelines.

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## Personalised mental wellbeing support

We all have different experiences when it comes to mental wellbeing. While some face specific challenges that require treatment or counselling, others just need some guidance to help them maintain or improve their mental health. Our mental wellbeing coaching service is here to provide that guidance.

By combining expert-led one-to-one coaching sessions with ongoing support, the service helps employees build upon their existing mental health. It helps to increase self-awareness, set goals, overcome challenges, maintain balance and build on their existing strengths by developing new healthy habits.

#### What is it?

Mental wellbeing coaching comprises up to six one-to-one telephone sessions with a clinically trained specialist, alongside ongoing email support and signposting to other available services. It's ultimately designed to enable people to reach their full potential by helping them:

- increase awareness, overcome unhelpful thoughts and set realistic goals
- manage their time and family commitments to maintain a good work-life balance
- manage stress and build resilience, both at home and in the workplace
- settle back into work if they've been absent for an extended period of time, (such as returning from maternity or sickness)
- embrace change, develop coping mechanisms and respond positively to new circumstances, such as parenthood, a new job or a workplace restructure

- improve and increase workplace performance, engagement and productivity
- settle into the workplace and manage challenges if they're new to the company or on a graduate scheme
- cope with specific tasks or challenges that could cause stress
- adopt or maintain healthy habits when it comes to exercise, nutrition, sleep and lifestyle.
   Particularly if they're recovering from a previous mental health condition.

#### Who is it for?

Mental wellbeing coaching is aimed at employees who want to improve their mental health but aren't suitable for therapeutic treatments. It can also help those who have recovered from previous mental health challenges. It's a positive and proactive approach to mental wellbeing support, which requires employees to have:

- the ability to identify issues and problems
- commitment towards goal setting and trying new things
- a high level of self-agency and control within their personal life.

We'll assess an employee's suitability for the service during their Wellbeing Consultation assessment using the Warwick Edinburgh Mental Wellbeing Scale (WEMWBS), or mental wellbeing score, determined by a questionnaire developed for the measurement of mental wellbeing.

## Mental wellbeing coaching effectiveness

Average pre-coaching mental health score:

Average post-coaching mental health score:

47

54

This represents an average difference of seven points in a test where an increase of three or more points is deemed a significant improvement in someone's mental wellbeing.

Results gained from participants in the mental wellbeing coaching from Sept 2020 to Jan 2024.

## How it could benefit your business

## It could boost your performance

Productivity and good mind health go hand-in-hand. To maximise productivity, you need your employees to flourish<sup>23</sup> and a work environment that helps keep them 'in-flow'.<sup>24</sup>

Our 2023 Mind Health At Work Report found that respondents are three times more likely to flourish and be 'in-flow' when they're offered good mental health support at work.<sup>25</sup>

### It could help retain your talent

Our Mind Health At Work Report also found a clear link between flourishing mind health and employee retention. In fact, only 5% of those 'in-flow' said they intended to leave their jobs in the next 12 months.<sup>25</sup>

## It could help reduce absences

35.2 million working days were lost to work-related ill health in 2022/23, with stress, anxiety and depression accounting for almost 17.1 million of these.<sup>26</sup>

Mental wellbeing coaching can help your employees identify and address psychological challenges early, which can reduce the impact on their mental and emotional wellbeing. This can lead to reduced stress, anxiety and depression, and help prevent the kinds of mental health issues that might keep them away from work.



NO. OF SESSIONS up to six sessions



DURATION 45 minutes per session



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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup>Flourishing is the pinnacle of good mind health and shows good social, psychological and emotional wellbeing. <sup>24</sup>'In-flow' is a highly productive mental state where an individual is fully focussed on their work. These findings are drawn from the AXA Health At Work Report. For more information, see the <u>AXA Study of Mind Health and Wellbeing in 2023</u>. <sup>25</sup>AXA Health – <u>Mind Health At Work Report</u> (2023) <sup>26</sup>HSE – Health and safety at work – <u>Summary statistics for Great Britain 2023</u>.

#### **How it works**



## **Employee completes a relevant assessment**

Mental wellbeing coaching can only be accessed with a referral after attending a Wellbeing Consultation assessment, or completing the mental wellbeing assessment via Health Age Calculator on the AXA Health app. During these assessments, they'll answer questions about their work life, personal circumstances, lifestyle and exercise habits as well as their goals and needs for the future.



#### Assessment of results and referral

We'll assess the employee's responses and determine if coaching is the right course of action. If it is, they'll be invited to book a coaching assessment online or via email.



## Mental wellbeing coaching assessment

Your employee will speak with a clinically trained specialist coach about their specific situation, goals and plans. This enables the coach to gain a fuller understanding and tailor their support accordingly.



## Mental wellbeing coaching sessions

Over a period of 12 weeks, the employee will attend five more 45-minute telephone sessions with their coach. These usually occur once every two weeks. Coaching sessions are different for everyone but they can include adjusting goals or discussing ways to overcome specific barriers.



## **Onward guidance and support**

During and after the coaching period, employees are signposted to any additional health services you offer that may be suitable to their needs. This ensures your health programme is working as hard as it can for you and that the coaching service can fit in as seamlessly as possible. Employees also go away with a personalised plan to help them maintain and build upon the progress they've made.

# For more information, contact your AXA Health account manager.

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