# Osteoporosis Information To help <u>you</u> make the best decisions about your bone health

# **CONCERN**



If I fall hard enough, I will break a bone anyway!

#### RESPONSE

Healthy bones are strong enough that they should not break from a fall from daily activities, even if you fall very hard. Osteoporosis/bone medicines can help keep your bones healthy.

# **CONCERN**



As a male, I don't think that I can get osteoporosis.

#### **RESPONSE**

Men can have osteoporosis. In fact, up to 1 in 4 men over age 50 will break a bone due to osteoporosis.

#### CONCERN



I am too old to take osteoporosis/bone medicine. I won't live long enough for it to work.

# **RESPONSE**

Nobody is too old for osteoporosis/bone medicines. These medicines can work quickly to lower your risk of broken bones (fracture) within 6 to 12 months.

## **CONCERN**



I am worried that I might not be able to afford osteoporosis/bone medicine.

#### **RESPONSE**

If necessary, we can work with you on ways this medicine can be more affordable for you.

## **CONCERN**



I don't walk very much so I don't need osteoporosis/bone medicine.

## **RESPONSE**

You are still at high risk of breaking bones, even if you don't get up often. Even if you only get up to use the bathroom, your osteoporosis/bone medicine can still help you.

# **CONCERN**



I am afraid that I will have a bad reaction to the osteoporosis/bone medicine.

## **RESPONSE**

Most reactions to osteoporosis/bone medicine are rare and minor. If you notice any reactions, let your health care provider know. There are options for treatment that may work better for you.

