## **ABCS**

### Heart Disease, Stroke, and Diabetes

#### **A = Appropriate Aspirin Therapy/ A1c.**

- Aspirin may help: ask your healthcare provider
- Most diabetics should have an A1c < 7%</li>

#### **B** = Blood Pressure Treatment and Control. BP < 120/80

- Consume less than 2300 mg sodium daily
- BP < 140/90 if diabetic \*</li>

# C = Cholesterol. Ask your provider about how often to check your cholesterol.

- Total cholesterol < 200</li>
- LDL (bad cholesterol) < 100
- Read the nutrition label: select food with 0 grams of trans fat
- Read the nutrition label: choose foods lowest in saturated fat and cholesterol
- **S = Smoking Cessation.** Research shows using a quitline with medication increase abstinence rates.
  - Call 1-800-QUITNOW for more details or ask your provider. (1-800-784-8669)



