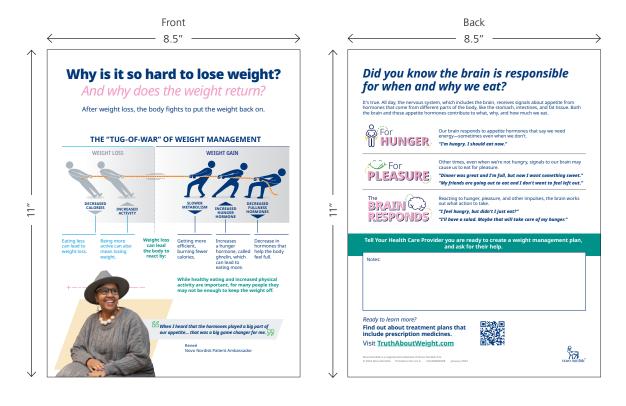
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Why is it so hard to lose weight?

And why does the weight return?

After weight loss, the body fights to put the weight back on.

THE "TUG-OF-WAR" OF WEIGHT MANAGEMENT





Did you know the brain is responsible for when and why we eat?

It's true. All day, the nervous system, which includes the brain, receives signals about appetite from hormones that come from different parts of the body, like the stomach, intestines, and fat tissue. Both the brain and these appetite hormones contribute to what, why, and how much we eat.



Our brain responds to appetite hormones that say we need energy—sometimes even when we don't.

"I'm hungry. I should eat now."



Other times, even when we're not hungry, signals to our brain may cause us to eat for pleasure.

"Dinner was great and I'm full, but now I want something sweet."
"My friends are going out to eat and I don't want to feel left out."



Reacting to hunger, pleasure, and other impulses, the brain works out what action to take.

"I feel hungry, but didn't I just eat?"

"I'll have a salad. Maybe that will take care of my hunger."

Tell Your Health Care Provider you are ready to create a weight management plan, and ask for their help.

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