Cognitive behavioral therapy for insomnia

Many adults have a hard time going to sleep or staying asleep, also called insomnia. Cognitive behavioral therapy for insomnia (CBT-I) is one of the best treatments. CBT-I uses a personalized approach that can help you identify and address the causes of poor sleep.

CBT-I helps you work through your behaviors, thoughts, and feelings around sleep.



There are many benefits to CBT-I.

- ✓ Improved sleep continues months to years after finishing CBT-I sessions.
- Unlike medications, there are no side effects to CBT-I.
- CBT-I may also **help with other conditions**, like depression or anxiety.

Medicare and other insurance providers cover CBT-I when insomnia is diagnosed by your healthcare professional. Ask your insurance provider what is covered and whether a referral is needed.

Find the CBT-I format that works for you.

CBT-I is usually 4 to 8 sessions, spread out over weeks or months. There are several format options to choose from.

Group/individual therapy



Find a group or therapist near you:

- cbti.directory
- findatherapist.com
- mentalhealthmatch.com
- helloalma.com
- headway.co

Telehealth



- Insurance covers some online platforms, such as:
 - TalkSpace
 - Thriveworks
 - Brightside
- Some therapists offer virtual appointments

Digital apps



Free option:

- CBT-I Coach (best used along with a clinician)
- Other options:
- Sleep Reset
- Night Owl

Online modules



These programs typically aren't covered by insurance. Examples include:

- cbtforinsomnia.com
- drugfreesleep.com

For links to the digital apps and online modules listed above, scan this code:



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