

Maximize Your Health and Wellness: Health promotion on and off campus

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Objectives of today's Brown Bag presentation:



•Find out about the Healthy Aging NC initiative of the NC Center for Health and Wellness

 Review healthy aging research and effective health programs

•Learn about resources and programs available on-campus and in the community



Mission:

Develop equitable opportunities that lead to healthy North Carolina Communities.

NCCHW works to impact policy, build capacity, and ignite community initiatives by working through a web of cross sector relationships organized around building healthier places throughout the state.



By 2019, NC will have more people 60+ than ages 0-17



Characteristics of Older Adults in North Carolina

- 83% have at least one chronic disease. 52% have 2 or more chronic diseases
- 68% reported exercising in the past month
- 29% reported that their health is good to excellent
- 93.5% live in the community
- 37% have at least one disability



American Community Survey 2011-2015 five year estimates, Table B18101 BRFSS 2015 survey results, NC State Center for Health Statistics

The Risk of Falls in North Carolina



- Residents aged 65 and older account for 88% of all fall deaths and 73% of nonfatal fall hospitalizations in NC.
- Each week, there are 1,189 emergency department visits among residents aged 65 and older, 266 hospitalizations, and 17 deaths due to fall injuries in NC.



Healthy Aging Research



Objectives of the Healthy Aging NC Initiative



•Evidence-based programs accessible statewide

- •Create a well-informed community
- Improve quality of life for older adults, adults with disabilities, and low-income and minority adults
- •Meet the Triple Aims of Healthcare: better health, better health care, and lower health care costs

Website www.healthyagingnc.com



Details about evidence-based healthy aging programs offered in North Carolina

Ability to register for workshops on the website

Downloadable tools and resources

Up-to-date news about healthy aging

Walk With Ease

- ►Interactive Workshops
 - ▶ 3 times a week for 6 weeks
 - ▶ $1 1\frac{1}{2}$ hour sessions
 - ► Up to15 participants/workshop



- The Walk With Ease group walking program encourages people with arthritis to start walking and stay motivated to keep active.
- Each class begins with a health education session on an arthritisor exercise-related topic, followed by warm-up and stretching activities, a 10–35 minute walk, and a cool-down.

5-Step Basic Walking Pattern

- Warm up (3 to 5 minutes)
- Stretch (4 to 5 minutes)
- Walk (5 to 30 minutes)
- Cool down (3 to 5 minutes)
- Stretch (7 to 9 minutes)

Total time: 22 to 54 minutes

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Examples of Lecturette Topics

(May require handout and poster printing)

CDC guidelines: Amount of walking for people with arthritis Basic health considerations Basic facts about arthritis and exercise Using the diaries and assessments FITT principles (frequency, intensity, time, type) What to do if exercise hurts The importance of impact and the walking surface Monitoring intensity, measuring fitness Walking safely and comfortably Developing and maintaining support Continuing to walk after the program ends 5-Step Walking Pattern Stretching/strengthening exercises

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Living Healthy with Chronic Disease Self Management Program

- Interactive Workshops
 - Once weekly for 6 weeks
 - 2 ½ hours session
 - 8 15 participants/workshop

Focus on skill-building, including:



1) techniques to deal with problems such as frustration, fatigue, and pain, 2) appropriate exercise for improving strength, flexibility, and endurance, 3) appropriate use of medications, 4) communicating effectively with family, friends, and health professionals, 5) nutrition, and 6) decision making.







Action Plan for your health and wellness

- 1. Something YOU want or decide to do
- 2. Achievable
- 3. Action-specific
- 4. Answer the questions:
 - What? (specific action) walking replace junk food snacks with fruit
 - How much? (time, distance, amount) 30 minutes 4 blocks 1 portion
 - When? (time of day, which days of the week) after dinner Monday, Wednesday, Friday
 - How often? (number of days in the week) 3 times; avoid every day

BECOME A LEADER IN LIVING HEALTHY

CHRONIC DISEASE SELF-MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Training Learn techniques about physical activity, nutrition, problem solving, medications, fatigue, relaxation, action planning, and more. After you complete the six-day training you will be able to co-leader a six-week Living Healthy workshop in your community



As a Leader Complete six-day Leader training over two-weeks Co-lead a six-week workshop Serve your community Gain experience in health education Network with community agencies

Training: In Sherrill Center Sat Nov 4th & 11th 10am to 4pm Mon Nov 6th & 13th 3pm to 6pm Wed Nov 8th & 15th 3 pm to 6pm

Free for Students and Staff!

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Want to make a lasting impact on the health of others, while learning valuable skills and knowledge?



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