#### Exercise and Weight Management



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# Weight Loss and Weight Management

#### Factors Contributing to Overweight and Obesity

- Genetic and Physiologic Factors
- Environmental Factors
- Psychosocial and Economic Factors



#### **Genetic and Physiologic Factors**

- Genetic Influence & Various Theories
- Metabolic Rates There are 3 types of metabolic rates: BMR, RMR, EMR
- Hormonal Influences: Ghrelin, Leptin, and cholecystokinin
- Fat Cells and Predisposition to Obesity

#### **Genetic Influence**

- Familial history of Obesity
- Genes may influence food regulation through the Central Nervous System (CNS) as well as fat cell synthesis and functioning.
- Thrifty Gene Theory Ancestors may have passed on genetic, hormonal, or metabolic predisposition toward fat storage making fat harder to lose.
- Theory of Mechanism The hypothalamus monitors nutrient levels in the blood, signaling the brain to eat when levels are low. This system may be dysfunctional in obese people.

#### **Metabolic Rates**

- Basal Metabolic Rate(BMR) The rate of energy expenditure by a body at complete rest in a neutral environment. The average BMR for a healthy adult is usually between 1,200 – 1,800 calories/day.
- Women: BMR = 655 + (4.35 x weight in pounds) + (4.7 x height in inches) (4.7 x age in years)
- Men: BMR = 66 + (6.23 x weight in pounds) + (12.7 x height in inches) (6.8 x age in years)
- Resting Metabolic Rate(RMR) The energy expenditure of the body under BMR conditions plus other daily sedentary activities (e.g. food digestion, sitting, or standing).
- Exercise Metabolic Rate(EMR) The energy expenditure during exercise or physical activity (e.g. walking, climbing stairs, mowing the lawn, or exercise).

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#### Hormonal Influences



## Cholecystokinin

 Hormone associated with the feeling of satiation. This hormone is released when the stomach becomes distended after a meal signaling the brain to decrease hunger signals so you will stop eating.



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#### Fat Cells and Predisposition to Obesity

- Some obese people may have excessive numbers of fat cells (hyperplasia).
- Hyperplasia may begin in early childhood or possibly prior to birth.
- Fat cells have the ability to shrink and swell (hypertrophy).
- Obesity may be linked to the number of fat cells in the body and their ability to swell.
  - Average-weight adult has 25-35 billion fat cells.
  - Moderately obese adults have 60-100 billion fat cells.
  - Extremely obese adults have 200 billion fat cells.

#### **Environmental Factors**

- Increased sedentary activities and desk jobs.
- Greater access to high fat, high calorie foods.
- Increased portion sizes.
- Increase in the number of women in the work force.

#### **Psychosocial and Economic Factors**

- Eating has become a social ritual associated with companionship, celebration, and enjoyment.
- Eating, and types of food eaten, are often associated with various cultures.
- Food is sometimes used as an emotional crutch, hence the term "comfort food".
- Socioeconomic factors, such as income and housing, also play a role in one's nutrition.

## Managing Your Weight

### **Improve Your Eating Habits**



- Add more fruits and veggies to your diet making sure to eat variety of colors.
- Choose whole grains instead of refined products.
- Eat lean meats, poultry, and fish.
- Choose low-fat and fat-free dairy products.
- Choose Mono and Polyunsaturated fats.
- Keep healthy munchies around.
- Choose natural beverages.
- Eat nuts instead of candy.

#### **Understanding Calories**

- A calorie is a unit of energy; calories are gained from food and expended through activity.
- Each time you consume 3,500 calories more than your body needs, you gain 1 lb of fat.
- Conversely, expending 3,500 calories will help you to lose 1 lb of fat.
- Depending on your weight you may burn more or less calories than someone else doing the same types of activities.

### Keys to Successful Weight Management

- Keep a positive can do attitude write down the positive things about modifying your diet and exercise plan and how this can improve your quality of life.
- Make a plan:
  - Set realistic short- and long-term goals.
  - Set goals on a weekly basis until you're able to look further ahead and the changes become easier.
- Change your habits
  - Be adventurous
  - Use mindful eating concepts
- Incorporate exercise
  - Be active and vary your routine
  - Find an exercise partner
  - Make it fun

### **Physical Activity and Exercise**

#### **Benefits of Physical Activity**



- Increases Cardiovascular Health
- Increases Mental Health/Stability
- Decreases your risk for Obesity, Diabetes, and other diseases
- Improves Bone and Muscle Health
- Decreases Cholesterol
- Can help control addiction (smoking) and withdrawal symptoms

#### Cardiovascular Health

- Increases heart performance and heart muscle contractibility
- Reduces and improves blood pressure
- Improves cardiac endurance

 The ability of the heart and lungs to supply oxygen to the body. This can be achieved by exercising for at least 20 minutes (non-stop) 3-5 times a week.

#### Mental Health/Stability



- Improves Brain Function, Mental Alertness & Concentration, and Sharpens Memory
- Increases Endorphins making you happier
- Increase Self Esteem and Self Image
- Improves Sensorimotor skills
- Reduces Stress & Anxiety
- Prevents Cognitive Decline
- Improves quality of sleep

#### **Bone and Muscle Health**



- Exercise builds **muscular strength** (*the ability to exert the maximal force at any given time*) and **muscular endurance** (*the ability of a muscle group to work over a given period without becoming overly tired*).
- Increases and promotes flexibility of the joints.
- Builds bone strength which helps prevent osteoporosis thru weight bearing (walking, jogging, dancing, etc) and resistance exercises (weight lifting, free weights, resistance bands).
- Reduces falls and fractures and increases reaction time.

#### Diabetes and Overweight/Obesity

- Exercise helps control blood sugar by increasing insulin sensitivity.
- Risk of DM II is reduced, and blood sugar control is improved in individuals who have DM II.
- Exercise burns excess stored body fat resulting in leaner body mass.
- People who have moderate cardiorespiratory fitness have less total fat and less belly fat.

#### Cholesterol

- Exercising regularly will help lower triglycerides and raise HDL.
- Consistent regular exercise can lower triglycerides by 30% to 40% and boost HDL by 5 to 8 mg/dL
- Walking 3 miles per week can lower your risk for heart disease by 10%.

#### **Exercise and Smoking**

KEEP CALM AND DUIT **SMOKING** 

- Exercise helps limit weight gain when quitting smoking.
- Studies have shown that even moderate physical activity, especially aerobic exercise, reduces the urge to smoke.
- Withdrawal symptoms and cravings for cigarettes decrease during exercise and for as long as 50 minutes afterwards.
- Exercise increases dopamine levels which helps ease addiction behaviors and withdrawal, improving mood.
- Exercise is a great coping mechanism for stress and distract a person from thoughts of smoking.

#### Types of Exercise

- Cardiorespiratory exercise that involves continuous activities that use large muscle groups. Reduces stress, lowers risk of heart disease, and helps maintain normal body weight.
- Strength training helps maintain muscle strength and endurance.
- Stretching Improves flexibility, balance, posture, and circulation of blood and nutrients throughout the body. Types of stretching include; static, dynamic, yoga (which includes both static and dynamic), and ballistic stretching.

Very Light Effort	- strolling - dusting	
Light effort (60 minutes)	<ul> <li>light walking</li> <li>volleyball</li> <li>easy gardening</li> <li>stretching</li> </ul>	Range needed to stay healthy.
Moderate Effort (30-60 minutes)	<ul> <li>brisk walking</li> <li>biking</li> <li>raking leaves</li> <li>swimming</li> <li>dancing</li> <li>water aerobics</li> </ul>	
Vigorous Effort (20-30 minutes)	- aerobics - jogging - hockey - basketball - fast swimming - fast dancing	
Maximum Effort	- sprinting - racing	





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