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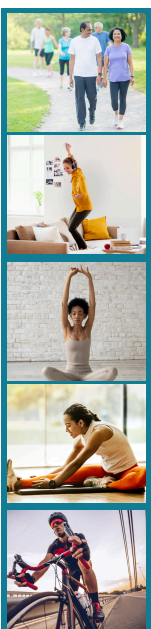
YOUR WAY TO MENTAL HEALTH

Engaging in physical activity is not just about improving your physical health; it plays a crucial role in enhancing your mental well-being too. Regular movement can help reduce stress, anxiety, and depression while boosting your overall mood.

BENEFITS FOR MENTAL HEALTH

- **Reduces stress:** Physical activity increases the production of endorphins, the body's natural mood lifters, which help to alleviate stress.
- **Improves sleep:** Regular exercise can help you fall asleep faster and deepen your sleep.
- **Enhances creativity and learning:** Movement increases blood flow to the brain, which can help improve memory, creativity, and learning.
- **Boosts self-esteem:** Achieving fitness goals, even small ones, can boost confidence and self-esteem.

SIMPLE WAYS TO MOVE YOUR BODY



Walking

- Take a walk in your local park or around your neighborhood. Aim for at least 30 minutes a day.

Dancing

- Put on your favorite music and dance like nobody's watching.

Yoga

- Try a yoga session at home to improve flexibility and reduce stress.

Stretching

- Add stretching sessions into your day, especially during long periods of sitting.

Cycling

- Ride a bike for fun and enjoy the outdoors.

TIPS FOR STAYING MOTIVATED

- **Set achievable goals:** Start small and gradually increase your activity level. Celebrate your achievements.
- **Find a buddy:** Exercising with a friend can make activities more enjoyable and keep you accountable.
- **Schedule it:** Treat your physical activity like an important appointment. Set aside specific times in your week.
- **Mix it up:** Keep things interesting by trying new activities or varying your routine.

REMEMBER

Your journey to improved mental health through movement is personal. Listen to your body and do what feels right for you. Every step counts, and every movement is a step towards a healthier mind and body.



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