Factsheet

MOVING OUR BODIES

AND GETTING ACTIVE

Benefits of physical activity:

- Improved sleep
- 🔺 More energy
- Improving mood and mental health
- Finding fun and social connection
- 🔺 Weight management
- A Reducing the risk of heart disease, type 2 diabetes and some cancers

National guidelines recommend that adults aim to:

- A Move More: Be active on all or most days.
- Move Harder: Do at least 30 min of moderate, 15 min of vigorous or an equivalent combination on most days. (Note: Moderate activity raises your heartrate but doesn't make you breathless, and vigorous activity makes you gasp for breath.)
- A Move Stronger: Do muscle strengthening activities on at least 2 days each week.
- Move Often: Sit less and break up long periods of sitting as often as possible.

CREATIVE WAYS TO GET MOVING



Get into **nature**



Choose the **stairs**



Make housework active



▲ Join a **social** team



▲ **Move** during TV time



Use public transport



 Quality active time with friends



"When it comes to moving our bodies, some is better than none, and more is better!"



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MY MOVEMENT GOALS



MY MOTIVATION

E.g. to improve my fitness, to boost my mood, to challenge myself with something new

MOVE MORE

Choose an aerobic/ cardio activity like walking, jogging, swimming, active housework etc. Include time per session and days per week.

MOVE STRONGER

Choose a strength building activity like yoga, pilates, home or gym strength program etc. Include time per session and days per week.

MOVE OFTEN

Choose a strategy to break up sitting time, like stretching during TV ad breaks, setting a phone reminder or using a standing work desk.



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