Healthy Lifestyles COPD Community Exercise Clinic

Healthy Lifestyles is the use of evidence based therapeutic approaches used to prevent, treat and reverse chronic conditions.



6 Healthy Lifestyle Strategies

Nutrition	Sleep	Exercise	Substance	Stress Management	Social
Choose whole foods Limit animal by-products Explore alternative protein sources like quinoa, nut butters, and legumes Include healthy fats like olive oil, avocados, nuts and seeds Eat the rainbow, plenty of unprocessed fruits and vegetables Whole grains like barley, millet and brown rice Hydrate with water	Aim for 7-9 hours each night Try and keep a consistent schedule with a fixed wake up and bedtime Prioritize sleep Keep naps short if at all Limit caffeine late in the day Avoid screen time 1-2 hrs before bedtime	Cardio/Aerobic: 4-5 days per week moderate intensity 150-300 mins per week Strength Training: 2-4 days per week light to moderate intensity 15-30 mins per session Stretch/Balance/ Flexibility: daily as able	Quitting smoking is the most important step to slow the progression of COPD Not smoking will make it easier to breath All levels of alcohol consumption are associated with some risk, so drinking less or not at all is better for everyone	Mange anxiety and depression by: Exercising regularly Practicing yoga or meditation Try techniques such as guided imagery and progressive relaxation Journaling Speak to healthcare provider about treatment options	Our relationships with family, friends, coworkers, and community members can have a major impact on our health and well-being. When we are socially connected and have stable and supportive relationships, we are more likely to make healthy choices and to have better mental and physical health outcomes. You are not alone and its okay to ask for help.