## What is Lifestyle Physical Activity?

# Think of 2 ways you could integrate physical activity into your lifestyle.

#### What *Is* Lifestyle Physical Activity?

#### Old way of thinking

– Sweaty – hard workouts

#### New Research!

## Definition

- 30 minutes of activity each day
- Leisure, occupational, or household activities
- Moderate to vigorous in intensity
- Planned or unplanned
  - Dunn, Andersen, & Jakicic, 1998, p. 399.

## What Counts As Activity?

Individual activity Walking your dog Playing with your kids Housework Gardening Grocery shopping Dancing



## What Counts As Activity?

- Taking the stairs instead of the elevator.
- Parking at the farthest part of the parking lot.
- Walking during lunch break.



### How?

- Know your baseline activity level.
   Set A Goal
  - 1. Walking a 3-4 mph pace
    - 1. 1 minute = 100 steps
    - 2. 5 minutes = 500 steps
    - **3.** 10 minutes = 1000 steps
  - 2. Determine your goal.

## Example

- 1. Baseline Activity Level = 3000 steps.
- 2. Plan is to increase my activity level by 10 minutes every day.
- 3. Add 1000 steps to baseline
- 4. Goal is to take 4,000 steps every day.

#### 3. Find Ways to Meet Your Goal

#### Do housework

Work in the garden or mow the grass.

Short walk before breakfast, after dinner or both!

Walk to the store instead of driving.

Stand up while talking on the telephone.

## More ways to add steps!

- Walk the dog
- Park farther away from stores



- Take the stairs instead of the elevator.
- Plan family outings that include physical activity.
- Make a date with a friend to enjoy physical activity.

# 4. Check your pedometer throughout the day!

How useful was the information about lifestyle physical activity to you?

- Not at all useful.
- Somewhat useful.
- I don't know.
- O Useful.
- Very useful.



How useful was the information on getting started to you?

- Not at all useful.
- Somewhat useful.
- I don't know.
- O Useful.
- Very useful.



### How useful was the information on how to increase the amount of walking you do?

- Not at all useful.
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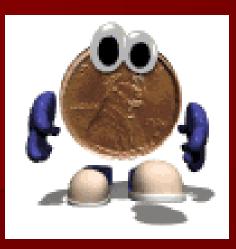
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## Safety Issues and Tips

#### Before you walk!



Think about what YOU know about being safe while walking.

#### **Don't Forget To Stretch**

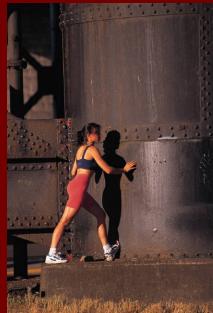
Start slow
Stretch
Gradually increase your pace
Walk slowly to cool down



## Stretching Throughout Day

Stretch at different times during the day
 Stretch daily for 10-15 minutes

 hold each stretch for 10-30 seconds
 don't bounce or push beyond your comfort zone.



#### Good Web Sites to check out:

<u>http://www.womensheartfoundation.org/cont</u>
 <u>ent/Exercise/stretching\_exercise.asp</u>

<u>http://www.netfit.co.uk/stretching.htm</u>

<u>http://www.ithaca.edu/safety/ergonomics/str</u>
 <u>etch.htm</u>

## WHY STRETCH?

Prevent Injury
Build Muscle Mass
Decrease Stress
Increase Flexibility
Feels Good/Decrease Pain
Increase Body Awareness



#### Stretching information adapted from:

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## Safety Tips

#### Always walk on the sidewalk.

Dress to be seen.

Source: <a href="http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/kids/biketour/pedsafety/">http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/kids/biketour/pedsafety/</a>

## Safety Tips

#### Tips for Crossing the Street.

- Cross only at corners or marked crosswalks.
- Stop at the curb.
- Stop and look both ways.
- If you see a car, wait until it goes by.
- Keep looking for cars while you are crossing.

– Walk. Don't run.

Source:<a href="http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/kids/biketour/pedsafety/">http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/kids/biketour/pedsafety/</a>

### Hot Weather

- Drink plenty of water.
- Protect yourself from sunburn:
   with clothing.
  - Use SPF 15+ sunscreen.
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- Walk during the cooler parts of the day.
- Reduce your exercise intensity.

#### Drink water!

## Walking At Night

- Walk with a friend.
- Populated or well-lit areas.
- Wear brightly colored clothing.
- Walk in the direction of oncoming traffic.
- Take a flashlight with you.
- Consider attaching reflector discs to your clothing and shoes.
- Take a walking stick or umbrella with you.

## Walking Your Dog

#### Keep your dog on a leash.

#### Avoid unleashed dogs.



#### **Use Good Form When Walking**

- Always stand up straight
- Head up
- Suck in your stomach
- Tuck in your behind
- Rolling motion: Strike the ground first with your heel. Roll through the step from heel to toe.
- Bend your elbows 90 degrees

### More on Form

#### Relax your hands

Don't "chicken wing"

#### Avoid using hand or ankle weights

Wear comfortable clothing and shoes.



## Listen to Your Body

#### Breathlessness – Slow Down.

#### Don't try to 'work through' the pain.

Source for safety tips: http://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/bhcv2/bhcarticles.nsf/pages/Exercise\_safety?OpenDocument

# How useful was the information about stretching?

**Submit** 

Clear

- Not at all useful.
- Somewhat useful.
- I don't know.
- O Useful.
- Very useful.

#### How useful were the safety tips?

- Not at all useful.
- Somewhat useful.
- I don't know.
- O Useful.
- Very useful.



How useful was the information about posture while walking?

- Not at all useful.
- Somewhat useful.
- I don't know.
- O Useful.
- Very useful.



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## The Benefits of Physical Activity



# of at least 1 way

## You would benefit

## by increasing your

# physical activity level.

#### Physical Activity helps to . . .

Decrease Stress

#### Increase Concentration

Decrease Depression

#### Physical Activity helps to . . .

#### Manage Weight

#### Decrease Health Risks

#### Physical Activity helps to . . .

#### Increase Bone Density

#### Maintain Strength and Muscle Mass



## Choose "internal" rather than "external" goals.

#### Focus on "enjoyment" and "fun".



#### Tell others about your goal.

#### Plan real rewards for meeting your goals.

#### Keep an exercise log.

How useful was the information about the benefits of physical activity?

- Not at all useful.
- Somewhat useful.
- I don't know.
- O Useful.
- Very useful.



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Ways to increase your walking!

# 2 or more ways VOU COULC INCLEASE the steps you take in a normal day.

- Walking at a moderate or brisk pace of 3 to 4 mph on a level surface inside or outside, such as
  - Walking to class, work, or the store;
  - Walking for pleasure;
  - Walking the dog; or
  - Walking as a break from work.

- Playing with your children, such as
  - Roller skating or in-line skating
  - Jumping on a trampoline
  - Playing on school playground equipment, moving about, swing, or climbing
- Source: U. S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division of Nutrition and Physical Activity. (1999). *Promoting physical activity: A guide for community action.* Champaign, IL: Kinetics.

- Enjoying a sport or recreation
  - Table tennis
  - Tennis, doubles
  - Any type of dancing: ballroom, line, folk, modern
  - Golf (without the cart!)
  - Basketball (shooting baskets)
  - Coaching children's or adults' sports

# Playing instruments while actively moving

# Singing while actively moving, as in church

#### Gardening and yard work

- Raking the lawn
- Hoeing
- Weeding while standing or bending
- Trimming shrubs and tress
- Pushing a power lawn mower or tiller

#### Moderate housework

- Scrubbing the floor or bathtub
- Hanging laundry on a clothesline
- Moving light furniture
- Walking and putting household items away
- Putting groceries away

#### Occupational physical activity, such as

- Waiting tables or institutional dishwashing
- Patient care: bathing, dressing, and moving patients

How useful was the information about choices and strategies to increase physical activity to you?

- Not at all useful.
- Somewhat useful.
- I don't know.
- O Useful.
- Very useful.



## How useful was the information in this module in planning your walking program?

- Not at all useful.
- Somewhat useful.
- I don't know.
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## Strategies to Overcome Barriers

**Time Management Skills** 

# What are 2 things you can say to yourself

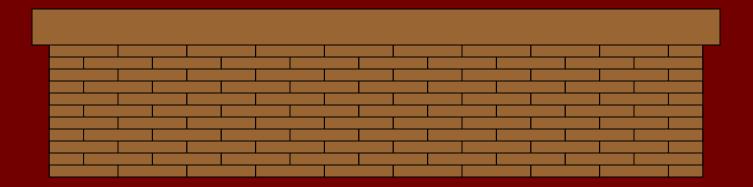
when you don't feel

like walking.

#### **Reasons for Barriers**

Don't want to exercise.

Poor time management.





## Lack of Time

- 1. Determine your priorities.
- 2. Track time you currently spend on your priorities.
- 3. Decide when and where to walk.



### Lack of Facilities

## Find ways to increase walking without the need for facilities.



## Lack of Equipment

## Find ways to increase walking without the need for equipment.



#### Inconvenience

Find ways to increase walking during your normal day.

If you come up short on your goal, take a short 20 to 30-minute stroll after dinner. How useful was the information about strategies to overcome barriers to you?

- Not at all useful.
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# How to Wear the Pedometer

A Review of Dos and Don'ts

# Have you ever used a pedometer?

# Do you know what problems they can have?



*Close* to body & *Directly over midline* of your front thigh.











## **DON'T** Attach by the security strap alone.



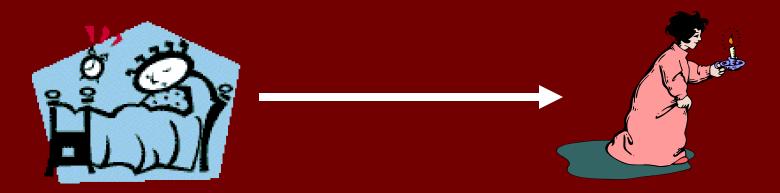
#### Wearing a dress? attach the pedometer to a belt or to your

pantyhose/underwear.

**DO NOT** wear on the pocket of your pants, or on a jacket or jacket pocket.



#### When to Wear the Pedometer



Put the pedometer on from the moment you get up, to just before you go to bed.

## **Reasons for Missing Steps**

Pedometer not positioned correctly.

Pace of walking.

How you walk.

Pedometer rolls forward or flips upside down.

#### CARING FOR YOUR PEDOMETER

Avoid dropping or crushing.

Avoid excessive moisture.

Avoid forcing the pedometer clip onto a belt or pant waist.

## **IMPORTANT!**



The lid must be closed all the way for the pedometer to work correctly and count steps.

This pedometer won't record any

steps.

How useful was the information about how to wear the pedometer to you?

- Not at all useful.
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## Barriers

#### Or, Things that Prevent you from Walking

# This of 2 or more reasons NOU CON CONSIGNATION

### Barriers

- Do you have . . .
- Many barriers to prevent you from exercising?

Or, are there excuses you use to prevent you from exercising?

Take a moment to check out this website: <u>http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dnpa/physical/life/</u> <u>overcome.htm</u>

### Barriers

Take the Quiz, "Barriers to Being Active" <u>http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dnpa/physical/lif</u> <u>e/barriers\_quiz.pdf</u>

What are the barriers that affect you the most?

How can these barriers be reduced so that you can meet your step goal?

## How useful was the information about barriers to you?

- Not at all useful.
- Somewhat useful.
- I don't know.
- O Useful.
- Very useful.



How useful were the links to websites dealing with barriers to you?

- Not at all useful.
- Somewhat useful.
- I don't know.
- O Useful.
- Very useful.



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Monitoring Your Progress

How to Set Goals



### How To Set Goals

- General ideas about writing goals:
  - Be Specific
  - Be Measurable

#### EXAMPLE

- "I want to <u>walk 5,000 steps</u> <u>each day</u> for <u>7</u> <u>days of this week</u>.

### **How To Set Goals**

- Be Action-oriented

– Be Realistic



-"by *taking the stairs* instead of the elevator".

### After Setting the Goal!

Plan rewards for meeting your goals.

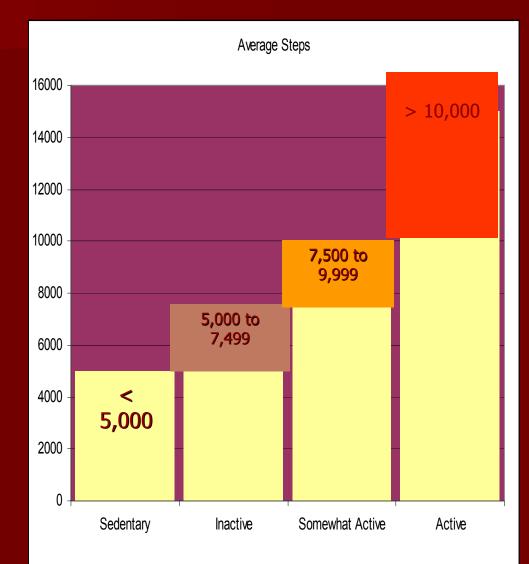
Don't use food.

- Choose a movie, a concert, a new CD!

#### How many steps are enough?

#### Averages

 Consider your personal baseline steps and make a goal to increase your steps by <u>1,000, 2,000 or</u> <u>3,000</u> over your baseline steps



## Setting Personal Activity Goals with Pedometers

- 1. Find your baseline activity level.
- 2. Calculate your personal step-count goal as shown:

Baseline	Personal Goal	Goal for Week
3,000	3,000 + 1,000	4,000

### **Increasing Your Goal**

Add 1,000 steps to previous week's goal.

For example, If my goal for *week 1* was <u>4,000</u>. The next week, I would calculate: 4,000 + 1,000 = 5,000 steps

### **Monitoring Your Activity**

- Figure a step goal for the week.
- Go the Web-CT site and click on <u>forms/evaluation</u>.
- Complete the <u>Weekly Goals</u> form and submit.
- Record your goal for the week on your informal recording sheet.

### Using Your Pedometer to Monitor your Step Goal

- Wear the pedometer as instructed every day.
- Record your steps (Friday to Thursday) on the informal recording sheet.
- Log onto the Web-CT
  - submit steps by completing <u>Recording Sheet</u> located in the section <u>Forms/Evaluation</u>

How useful was the information about how to make step goals to you?

- Not at all useful.
- Somewhat useful.
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- O Useful.
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How useful was the information about "how many steps are enough" to you?

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- O Useful.
- Very useful.



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### Where to Walk

And Other Helpful Links about Walking

## Name an area in Cedar City where you could walk.

#### Walking Success

 Find a friend, spouse, or other person to be your walking buddy.

Make walking fun!

Make walking part of your daily life.

### Places to Walk

SUU outdoor track Eccles Stadium (football)



#### SUU indoor track Sorenson PE Building

#### ECCLES COLISEUM

Southern Utah University has recently undertaken an extensive effort in producing a quality track, field, and stadium area. We invite your cooperation in observing the following rules during your enjoyment of this facility:

- No wheeled vehicles. No roller blades or skateboards on the track.
- No goll, archery, or activities unrelated to track and field events.
- No pets or animals on the track or field
- Scheduled use must be arranged with the Athletic Department.
- Walking shoes, tennis shoes, or running shoes are acceptable.
- Avoid using any solvents, oils, or heat on or near the track.

NOTICE THE TRACK IS RESERVED FOR SUU TRACK TEAM MEMBERS ONLY WEEKDAYS 1:00P.M. TO 4:30P.M.

Hours: 6 am to 10 pm Monday thru Saturday



#### Places to Walk

#### – Cedar High track



## Canyon View High School track, located at Cedar Middle School

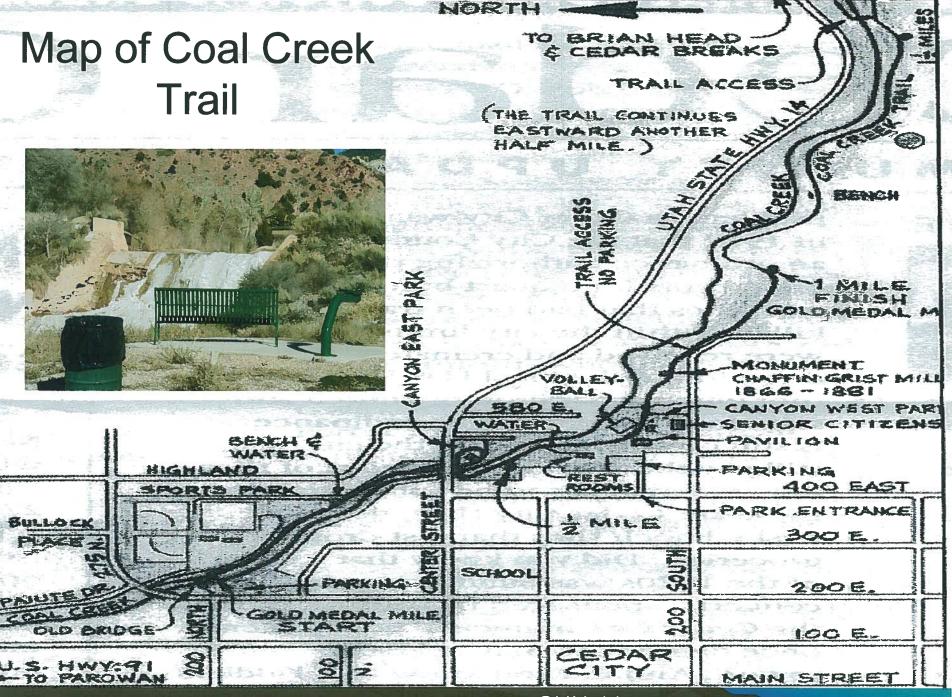




The Coal Creek Trail is a 5 mile trail that winds through city park and mountain scenery.

Coal Creek Trail

http://www.cedarcity.org/parksandrec/Parks/Coal-Creek-Trail.htm



SUU this way

#### Helpful Links

#### - Coal Creek Trail

 <u>http://www.cedarcity.org/parksandrec/Parks/Coal-</u> <u>Creek-Trail.htm</u>

## Hiking Trails in the Cedar City Area <a href="http://www.brianheadchamber.com/hiking.html">http://www.brianheadchamber.com/hiking.html</a>

#### Helpful Links

#### – Utah Walks

<u>http://www.utahwalks.org/</u>

#### – America On the Move

<u>http://www.americaonthemove.org/WActiveLiving.as</u>
 <u>p?PageID=8</u>

#### Walking information

• <u>http://www.walkinginfo.org</u>

How useful was the information on walking success to you?

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Very useful.



How useful was the information on different areas in Cedar City to walk to you?

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How useful were the links to other walking websites to you?

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