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Hands On Arthritis Facts and Care Tips

Follow your medical professional's advice and speak with them before changing diet, exercise, or supplements.

This May marks National Arthritis Month to bring attention to the condition of joint pain and joint disease.

For those wondering whether they have Arthritis, it's best to go through a primary care provider or Rheumatologist for a diagnosis. In general, Arthritis symptoms may come and go and include mild to severe swelling, pain, stiffness, and decreased motion range. It can also limit one's ability to do some daily activities.

Read on to learn about arthritis types and ways to help arthritic conditions.

Types of Arthritis

- Osteoarthritis is the most common Arthritis type. Risk factors include family history, overweightness, age, and prior injuries. Those with non-severe Osteoarthritis can help the condition with a healthy weight, proper exercise, rest per activity level especially during flare ups, avoiding repetitive movements, strengthening muscles by joints, and hot/cold therapy.
- Inflammatory Arthritis is another type. Rheumatoid and Psoriatic Arthritis are in this category. It occurs when the immune system creates inflammation to rid of what • it falsely sees as infection. It occurs in people with genetic predisposition and environmental risk factors, like smoking. Early diagnosis and strong treatment are key in slowing the condition.



American Adults Diagnosed: 54 million+ Americans Likely to Have Arthritis: 91 million Types of Arthritis That Exist: Over 100 Working Adults With Arthritis: 60%

Arthritis Pain Management Tips:

Are you dealing with Arthritis pain? Try some of the below tips for potential relief:

- Create a plan with your rheumatologist.
- Be aware of, and track, your warning signs, like a dull hand ache or daytime sleepiness.
- Stay up to date on vaccinations and wash hands frequently to avoid infections which could trigger a flare.
- Stay on top of your emotional health. Anxiety and stress can raise inflammation.
- Slow your movements, but continue moving to avoid stiff joints.
- Do hot & cold therapy, no more than 15 minute intervals, two to four times a day.
- Sleep on a schedule with lights off, devices off, and have no caffeine hours before bed.

We hope you find pain relief this National Arthritis Month. Let us know if you've found this helpful or received relief from these tips!







Special Moments

May 2021 Highlights

May observes Blood Pressure Education, Asthma Awareness, and **Osteoporosis. It celebrates BBQs, Nurses, Photography, & Seniors!**

01 Kentucky Derby; Scrapbook Day; Fit Day 16 BBQ Day; Sea Monkey Day; Mimosa Day 02 Lemonade Day; Truffle Day; Tuna Day 03 Garden Meditation Day; Textiles Day 04 Firefighters Day; Teacher's Day; Bird Day 19 Devil's Food Cake Day; Juice Slush Day 05 Astronaut Day; Cartoon Day; Hoagie Day 06 Nurses Day; Beverage Day 07 Space Day; Military Spouse Day 08 Mother's Day; Coke Day; Mini Golf Day 09 Lost Sock Memorial Day; Moscato Day **10 Shrimp Day; Hamster Day** 11 Twilight Zone Day; Eat Whatever Day 12 Intl. Nurses Day; Receptionists' Day; Third Shift Workers' Day 13 Apple Pie Day; Fruit Cocktail Day 14 Buttermilk Biscuit Day; Chicken Dance Day 15 Chocolate Chip Day; Armed Forces Day; World Baking Day

17 Cherry Cobbler Day; Walnut Day 18 Cheese Souffle Day; Intl. Museum Day 20 Quiche Day; Pick Strawberries Day 21 Waitstaff Day; Pizza Party Day; Tea Day 22 Solitaire Day; Vanilla Pudding Day 23 Lucky Penny Day; Taffy Day; Turtle Day 24 Brother's Day; Scavenger Hunt Day 25 Tap Dance Day; Wine Day; Geek Pride Day 26 Sr. Health/Fitness Day; Paper Airplane Day **27 Grape Popsicle Day** 28 Burger Day; Road Trip Day; Brisket Day 29 Paperclip Day; Coq Au Vin Day 30 Water Flowers Day; Mint Julep Day 31 Memorial Day; Macaroon Day; Smile Day

Regarding Covid-19: Resident and staff safety and comfort remains our number one priority during the Coronavirus cases that have happened nationwide. It is important to communicate our plans to mitigate risk in our community. We are following mandated health guidelines. All activities are subject to cancellation per those current guidelines. To read our measures taken, and our current visitor policy, please visit our website.

May 6th is Beverage Day! Our residents and staff shared their favorite drinks! "Good cup of coffee" - Frida "Pepsi Max" - Mabel "Diet Pepsi" - Tammy "Coke Zero Cherry" - Lauri "Water" - Nathen "Root Beer" - Peggy G. "Water" - Eleanor "Iced Tea" - Casey



Staff Spotlight: Lauri

This month our Team Member Spotlight shines on Lauri! Lauri is our Community **Relations Director. When she** isn't zipping around South Pointe she enjoys going to the beach, watching her children play sports and enjoying the sunshine!

Lauri has 4 children, three boys and one girl ranging from ages 19-14 years old. Being a Mother is one of Lauri's **biggest** achievements!



Resident Spotlight: Damon

This month our Resident Spotlight shines on a man of many names! He will answer to Damon, Dave, and even **George sometimes! Damon** enjoys keeping active, eating good food and playing Yahtzee. Damon is very proud of his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren! If you ever want to talk about tugboats, living in the great state of Washington, Damon is your guy! When you see him around the community stop and say Hi!

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