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Alzheimer's Disease: Coping with what Lies Ahead

Did you know that 1 in every 10 Americans over age 65, and half over 85, are affected by Alzheimer's? Also 7 of 10 affected live at home and are cared for by family and friends.

Jersey Village Baptist Church will present a free workshop open to the public to discuss topics including:

- · Responding to a diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease
- · How life changes with AD
- · Caregiving needs
- Maintaining dignity
- · Asking for help

Please come and learn more about this important topic.

Sponsored by JVBC Second Family Care Team

Monday, June 12th 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Building A

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Talk To Your Teen

www.4Parents.gov is part of a new national public education campaign to provide parents with the information, tools and skills they need to help their teens make the healthiest choices. There is no substitute for caring parents who are involved in their children's lives. If preteens and teens are going to make the choices that will enable them to become healthy adults, they need parents to talk frankly with them about sensitive topics like sex and relationships. Parents who have been reticent to talk with their teens and preteens about these issues now have a new resource in this website.

The decisions young people make now can affect their health and character for the rest of their lives. Although most young people today are making strides toward becoming healthy adults, some teens risk their health and their future through early sexual activity. Each year about 850,000 teens get pregnant and half become teen parents. About three million teens get a sexually transmitted disease (STD). While many STDs have no symptoms, some cause pain and illness, and either can prevent teens from ever becoming parents. Some, like HIV/AIDS can kill them.

You have the most influence on the choices your teen makes. This website tells you why you need to talk to your teen; what you should talk about; and how you can do it so that your teen will listen and care about what you say. Because teens who feel connected to their parents are much less likely to have sex, drink, smoke, use drugs or be violent, this website will show you how to connect with your teen and give you the skills you need to talk about sensitive issues like sex. And it will help you help your teen know what healthy relationships are and how they are formed and maintained.

The Office of Public Health and Science, Office of Population Affairs, and the Public Health Service sponsor 4Parents.gov. "Teen Chat," and "Parents, Speak Up!" Visit the website for more information.

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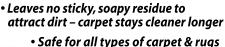
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Fit Facts"

A Walk a Day

The popularity of walking as a fitness activity is growing by leaps and bounds. Low risk and easy to start, walking has proved its health benefits in numerous studies.

An eight-year study of 13,000 people found that those who walked 30 minutes a day had a significantly lower risk of premature death than those who rarely exercised.

A regular walking program can help:

- · Reduce blood cholesterol
- · Lower blood pressure
- · Increase cardiovascular endurance
- Boost bone strength
- · Burn calories and keep weight down

Get ready

A walking program is simple to start. All you need are comfortable clothes and shoes. Layer loose clothing, keeping in mind that exercise elevates the body's temperature. Shoes specifically designed for walking are best.

Every workout should begin with a brief warm-up and a few simple stretches. Walk around the house or in place for a few minutes to get the blood flowing to the muscles before you attempt to stretch them.

Although walking primarily works the major muscles of the legs, don't forget to stretch your back, shoulders and arms. This will help to loosen up any tension you may be carrying and make your walk more enjoyable as well as more effective.

Get moving

Beginning walkers can make their workouts less strenuous by limiting how fast and far they walk. Keep in mind the following:

· Walk short distances

Begin with a five-minute stroll and gradually increase your distance.

• Forget about speed

Walk at a comfortable pace. Focus on good posture, keeping your head lifted and shoulders relaxed.

• Swing your arms naturally

Breathe deeply. If you can't catch your breath, slow down or avoid hills.

Be sure you can talk while walking
 If you can't converse, you are walking too fast.

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Fit Facts - (Continued from page 4) Get fit!

Walking is one fitness activity that allows you numerous options. Once you have reached a point where you can walk a few miles with relative ease, you can start to vary the intensity.

Walking hills, in addition to increasing your cardiovascular endurance, is a great way to tone the legs. Concentrate on lengthening your stride or increasing your speed. And don't forget to reward yourself after each workout with a few minutes of relaxing stretches to help prevent sore muscles.

Listening to lively music while you walk is also a great way to energize your workout. But if you wear headphones, keep the volume down and watch out for traffic that you may not hear.

Keep track of your progress. Many experts recommend that you walk a minimum of 20 minutes a day. But there are no hard and fast rules. Fit walking into your schedule whenever you can. That may mean two 10-minute walks each day, or even hour-long walks two to three times a week. The best schedule is one that keeps you walking and keeps you fit!



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Make Time For Those Summer Workouts

A s summer approaches, take advantage of increased daylight and warmer temperatures to work in time for exercise. Below are some fun, creative ways to take advantage of sunny summer days and breezy, balmy nights to get moving this summer.

- Take a walk together as a family or with your "honey" it's quality time. *Tip*: Add ankle or arm weights for added calorie burning.
- The cooler, early summer mornings can be a peaceful time for reflection while going for a morning power walk, practicing yoga, or other private-time work out.
- Plant some flowers or vegetables in your garden. For balconies, patios, and other small areas, get some inexpensive planters, decorate them yourself and plant away.
- While at the pool, set aside time for a short water workout. Swim laps, use a kick-board, or practice water-ballet moves.
- Take it inside into the air-conditioned mall that is. If your budget is limited, window-shop and pick out one thing from all your favorite stores that you would buy if you won the lottery.
- During summer barbecues, plan outdoor games in which everyone can take part: badminton, croquet, and tossing a frisbee or whiffle ball are some ideas that will get folks moving and make sure that everyone works up a "healthy" appetite!

A CAR Household Tips

Pool and Spa Care

ow is the time to prepare your pool or spa for increased usage during the summer. The tips below offer a quick checklist of ways to ensure the preparedness of your pool or spa.

- ✔ Check for leaks and make any necessary repairs.
- Clean out drains in order to prevent pipe corrosion and back-ups.
- ✓ Change the filter—replace the filter at the beginning of summer for best results.
- Check chlorine and other chemical levels to make sure they are in proper balance.

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