

Staying in the Circle of Life (SITCOL)

Facilitation Guide Session 4

To begin:

- Arrive 30 minutes before the session
- Prepare materials for activities and surveys
- Arrange the room so chairs are in a circle
- Review session goals

Goals
Review previously established agreements
2. Staying Fit
3. Including Traditional Foods in your diet
4. Identifying physical activities that work for you
5. Strengthen family relationships through diet and fitness
Administer Pre- and Post-assessment

Materials and Handouts	
Pre-assessment, Post-assessment	USDA Healthy Plate
Permanent Markers	My Native Plate
Flip Chart	Traditional Food Principals
Chair-robics video	

Activities
Chair-robics
Recipe Exchange (time permitting)
Closing Circle

Notes:

- Complete these tasks prior to start of group:
 - o Display "Agreements" on flip chart/board/or powerpoint
 - o Make sure each participant has paper and pen for activity
 - o Make sure each participant has the handouts listed above
 - o Have a clock to refer to in order to guide the discussion and cover all material
- Total time for session one is 90 minutes.

Staying in the Circle of Life



Nutrition & Fitness

Session 4

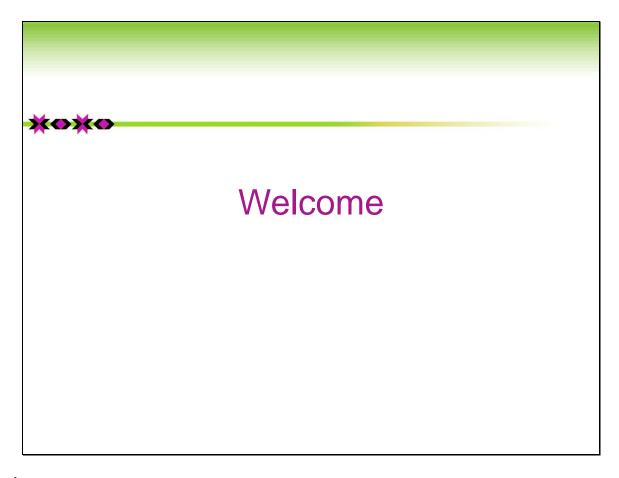






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Greeting

- Begin the session on-time.
- Greet each participant by name as they arrive.

Agreements



We want to do what we can to make sure everyone feels comfortable while they're here. Some examples:

- Keep it confidential everything anyone says stays in the room
- · Listen with respect
- Stay on topic we have a lot of information to go over and we want to make sure we cover it all
- Other things we can do?

Agreements

- Brief review of the agreements
- Administer Pre-Test (5 minutes)

What We Will Talk About



- Staying fit
- Including traditional foods in your diet to support your well-being
- Finding physical activities that work for you
- Strengthening family relationships through diet and fitness



Why Is Diet So Important?



- Some foods can reduce the risk of cancer and recurrence.
- Some foods can increase the risk.
- Making choices about your food and nutrition gives you power over your risk of disease.
- Food can help you even after diagnosis.
- Food nourishes your body, mind, and spirit.

Why is diet so important?

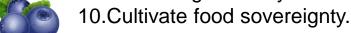
- Go around the room, ask if people have examples of how food nurishes your body
- Discuss how food is helpful after diagnosis

 it helps with quality of life, reducing risk,
 management of symptoms
- Discuss how certain food may reduce cancer risk for other family members

Traditional Food Principles



- 1. Food is at the center of Native culture.
- 2. Traditional foods are whole foods.
- 3. Eat with the seasons.
- 4. Eat a variety of foods.
- 5. Eat local foods.
- 6. Wild and organic foods are better for your health.
- 7. Honor the food web.
- 8. Cook and eat with good intentions.
- 9. Promote generosity.





Traditional Food Principals

- Distribute handout with expanded information on Traditional Food Principals
- Summarize the handout, or read certain parts out loud.
- Ask group to discuss what the principals mean to them.

The Benefits of Protein



- Protein builds, maintains and replaces the tissue in your body*
- Meat, poultry, seafood, beans, peas, eggs, tofu, nuts, and seeds are all good sources of protein.
- Seafood that is rich in omega-3 fatty acids is an excellent source of protein. Examples are salmon, trout, sardines, anchovies, and mackerel.
- Choose lean or low-fat meat and poultry.

*www.kidshealth.org

Protein Tips



- Monitor your intake of smoked and processed meat.
- Include a variety of proteins such as beans, eggs, and fish.
- Try having occasional days without eating meat (try a bean stew!)

Protein Tips

- Distribute Bean Bags
- Distribute USDA My Plate, Choose My Plate, and My Native Plate handouts
- Define recommended amounts of smoked meat
- Note the difference in protein recommendation by age and gender

Fruits and Vegetables (Plant Foods)



- Fruits and Vegetables provide nutrients like vitamin A and potassium.*
- Native people have a strong tradition of cultivating, harvesting, and eating fruits and vegetables.
- Fresh fruits and vegetables are the most nutritious.
- Berries, pumpkins, squash, nuts, seeds, corn, greens, seaweed, roots, choke cherries, nettles, and beans.
- Eat from the RAINBOW

*www.hsph.harvard.edu/nutritionsource

Fruits and Vegetables

- Distribute the Rainbow guide
- Ask group "What traditional plant foods do you like to eat?"
- Add in some other examples of fruits and vegetables
- Define the rainbow

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Why are plant foods important?



- Plants can protect you from cancer-causing agents, which are also called carcinogens.
- Plant foods are naturally complex they can't be replaced by pills or supplements.
- Eating plants strengthens your immune system.





What Is A Grain?



- · Grains give you energy!
- Grains are foods made from wheat, rice, oats, cornmeal, buckwheat, and barley
- Bread, pasta, oatmeal, breakfast cereals, tortillas, and grits are examples of grain products.
- Make sure at least half your grains are whole grains.

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Avoid Bad Fat



- Bad fats have been linked to obesity, diabetes, cardiovascular disease and cancer.
- Many fats in processed, refined, and fried foods have trans-fatty acids and hydrogenated oils.
- Examples are margarine, vegetable shortening, and imitation butter spread.
- But there are some healthy fats!

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 Definition of Trans Fatty Acids: an unsaturated fatty acid of a type occurring in margarines and manufactured cooking oils as a result of the hydrogenation process

What are healthy fats? Why are they important?

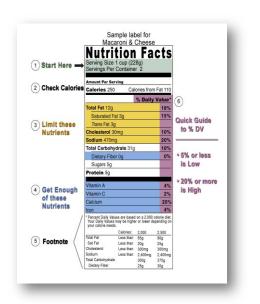


- Healthy fats can be found in foods like salmon, trout, nuts, and avocado.
- They improve cholesterol levels by lowering triglycerides and increasing good cholesterol.
- They help to reduce cravings for sugar and junk food.
- Healthy fats have been a vital part of the diet of American Indians and Alaska Natives for thousands of years.

Nutrition Facts



- "Nutrition Facts" on food labels tell you the serving size and the amount of nutrients, such as total fat, saturated fat, cholesterol, sodium (salt), and vitamins
- Reading labels can help you make smart choices

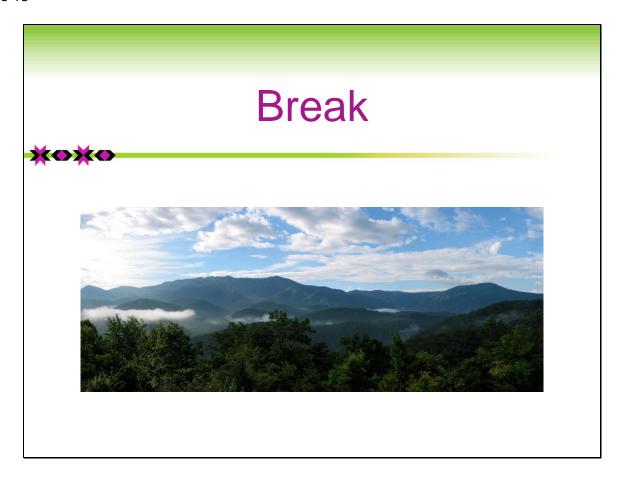


Nutrition Facts

- Hand out Nutrition Facts Label Handout
- Activity: Review the label step by step to ensure that participants know the different components of the label
- Note and discuss things that are NOT listed on labels, such as pesticides and GMOs.
- Note that traditional foods and fresh produce are NOT processed, therefore they do not come with a "label"

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Fitness means being physically, mentally, and spiritually strong and healthy. Native people have always had traditional ways of engaging in physical activity. It wasn't "getting exercise", it was living life.





"Moose Skin Ball" By Silvia Pecota

Why Is Exercise Important?



- Exercise reduces the risk of chronic disease including cancer recurrence.
- Reduces stress
- It can boost your self-esteem and promote a positive body image.
- It increases mobility and strength.
- It improves the quality of life and reduce depression.

Cancer and Exercise



- · Cancer can change how you exercise.
- You might not exercise in a way that was "normal" before, but there are many ways to establish a "new normal" that is just as good!
- · Some things can limit your activities:
 - Type of cancer
 - Type of cancer treatment
 - Overall health condition, fitness level, and stamina
- · Find out what's right for you!

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Traditional Ways of Being Active



- Hunting
- Fishing
- Gathering food
- · Hiking, running, walking
- Building homes
- Finding firewood
- Swimming
- Canoeing

- Playing games & sports
- Dancing
- · What else?



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Other Fitness Opportunities



- Join a gym
- Participate in tribal health programs
- · Take a walk
- Zumba
- Yoga
- Sign up for a class with a friend
- Don't be afraid to get SWEATY!



Other Fitness Opportunities

- Note the differences in abilities and goals for each individual. For example, for one person, just walking up a flight of stairs may make you sweat, for another, it may take a mile-long run to get a good sweat.
- Encourage the group to consider the differences in fitness capability before and after cancer diagnosis.

How much exercise do I need?



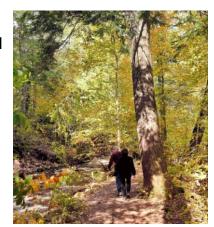
- Start by talking to your doctor about an exercise routine.
- Most people should aim for at least 30 minutes of physical activity every day.
 - Even a brief exercise session brings benefits
 - If you can't spend 30 minutes at one time on exercise, try doing three 10-minute activities throughout the day.
 - Try walking to nearby destinations that you usually drive to. This will not only benefit your health, but also save gas!

Mayo Clinic (2014)

How do I start exercising?



- Talk to your health care provider!
- Establish a support system
- Find out what works for you
- Set realistic goals
- Start slowly
- Reward yourself!!



How do I start exercising?

 Talk about goal setting, have group consider one way to increase activity level for the week.

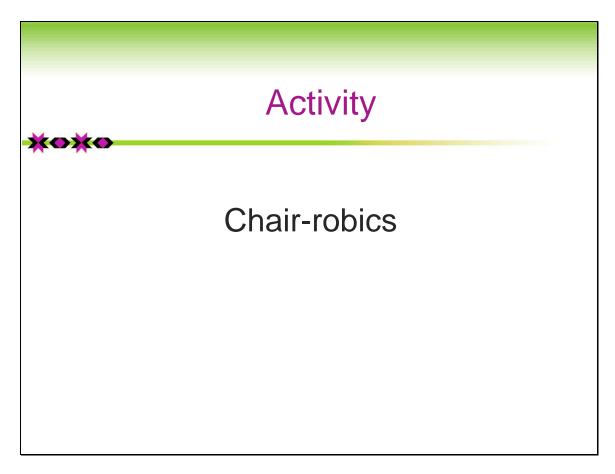
Tips



- Set a goal to make exercise part of your daily routine.
- · Make exercise fun by doing it with other people.
- · Know your limits.
- · Don't get discouraged!
- Remember you're doing it for your health!
- · Start with short periods of exercise.
- · Take breaks whenever you need to!
- If you can, exercise a little harder and a little longer every week.
- Start and end all exercise by stretching. It feels good!

Adapted from National Institute of Aging Exercise Guide

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Activity

- Play the video on Chair-robics
- Have participants get up and get involved!

Discussion Questions



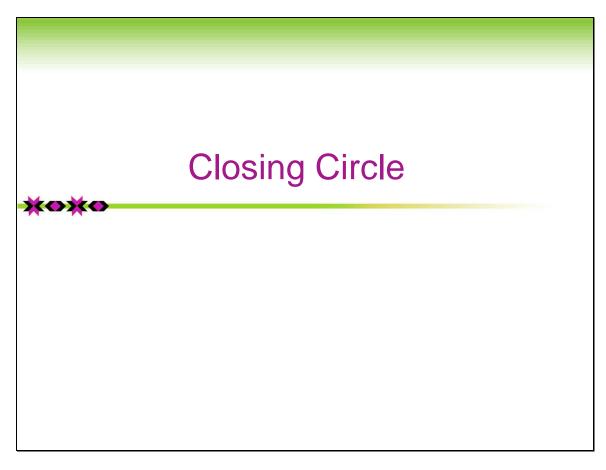
- How can you add exercise to your daily life?
- Is there anything you would like to change in your diet?
- What is one way you can change your diet?

Things to Think About



- Physical activity can help you be strong and healthy.
- · Listen to your body
- Set appropriate goals, seek support.
- · Enjoy a variety of foods.
- Pay attention to labels and serving size.
- Simple lifestyle changes can save lives and improve your own quality of life.

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Closing Circle

- Administer Post Test
- Optional: Hand out Recipe Exchange Activity
- Go around the room
 - o I learned
 - o I hope
 - o I feel
