Using the 7 Circles of Health and Well-being for Diabetes Self-Management Education

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Objectives

- Participants will be able to describe multiple factors that impact self-management of diabetes.
- Participants will be able to identify ways to incorporate the 7 Circles of Health and Wellbeing in diabetes education.





7 Circles Conceptualization

- Presentation: Well for Culture-Chelsey Luger and Thosh Collins
 - https://www.wellforculture.com/
 - Framework for 7 Circles of Wellness
- Bemidji Area Health and Wellness Coaches
 - Opportunity to bridge the gap between culture and clinical education
 - Individual experience and knowledge
 - Dynamic



Self-Care Behaviors vs. 7 Circles

- Healthy Eating
- Being Active
- Taking Medication
- Monitoring
- Problem Solving
- Healthy Coping
- Reducing Risks

- Food
- Being in Motion
- Balance
- Awareness
- Relationships
- Culture/Traditions
- Sleep

Assessment

Awareness:

 Blood pressure, A1c, eye exam, foot exam, dental exam, flu shot, pneumonia shot, commercial tobacco use, self-monitoring

Food:

 Supplements, grocery shopping, food security, meal preparation, label reading, meal patterns

Assessment, continued

Being in Motion:

Activity level, limitations

Sleep:

How much? Shift work? Nocturia?

Balance:

 Stress management, financial burden?, diabetes medications, hypoglycemia, target glucose range

Assessment, continued

Relationships:

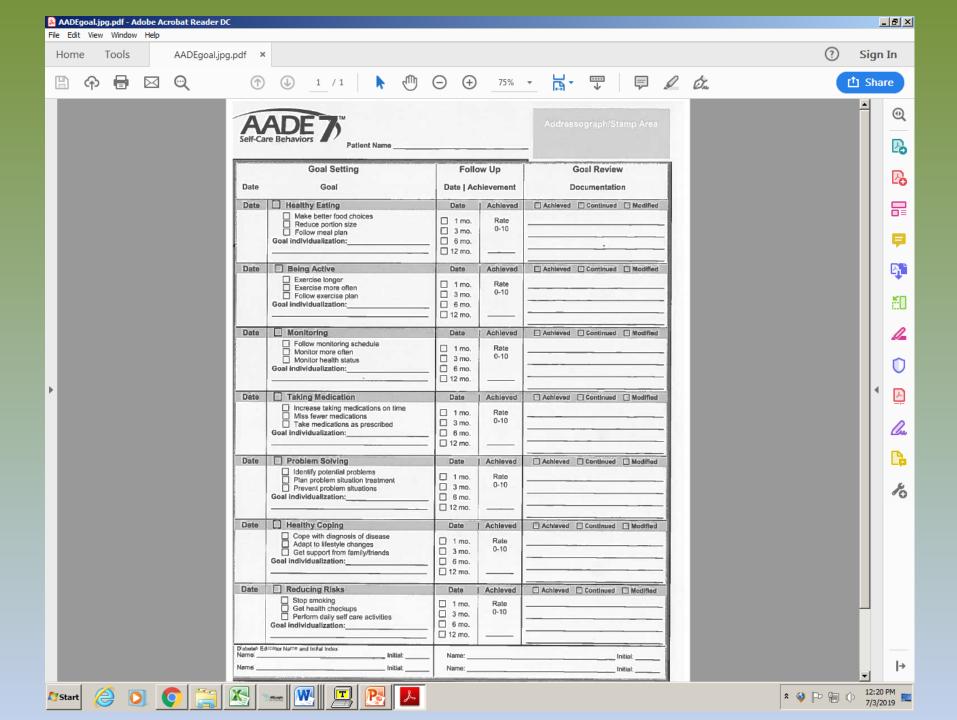
Support for health/diabetes

Culture and Traditions:

 Traditional medicines, healer, ceremonies, language

Education Plan and Goals:

AADE7 Self-Care Behaviors Tracking Tool





Session 1: Awareness

- Stage of Change? What circle is something you want to improve upon?
- What is diabetes? What type do you have?
- Pathophysiology of diabetes
- Self-monitoring
- Risk reduction: What are the complications of diabetes?

Session 1: Sleep

Are you getting enough sleep?

- May impact blood sugar directly
 - Arora T, Taheri S. Sleep Optimization and Diabetes
 Control: A Review of the Literature. *Diabetes Ther*.
 2015;6(4):425–468. doi:10.1007/s13300-015-0141-z
- Impact blood sugars indirectly?

Session 1: Sleep

Healthy Sleep Hygiene:

- Consistent schedule/routine
- Set bedtime to get 7-8 hours of sleep
- Reduce exposure to screens and bright lights
- Don't eat large meal before bed
- Avoid caffeine for ~6 hours before bed
- Get physical activity
- Reduce fluid intake before bed
- Keep bedroom temperature cool



Session 2: Food

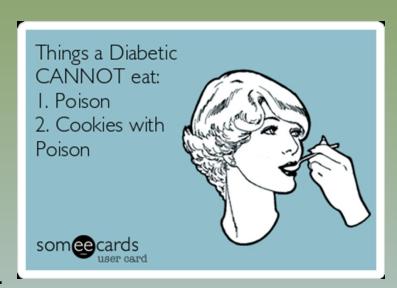
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"Resistance training is just as important as cardio. Train yourself to resist chocolate, pastries, fried foods, beer, pizza...."

Session 2: Food

- Gentle nutrition recommendations
- Making peace with food
- Mindfulness
- Removing distractions
- Food/body awareness
- Adding rather than limiting
- How food impacts glucose/energy levels



Session 2: Balance

- Work/life/family/diabetes management
- What are your barriers to optimal diabetes management?
- Time-management
- Medications (Diabetes Forecastcomprehensive list)
- Hyperglycemia/hypoglycemia treatment

Session 3: Being in Motion

- Exploring new ways of getting physical activity
- Interactive demonstration



Problem solving: Overall barriers to wellness, dealing with blood sugar issues, patterns, complications



Session 4: Relationships

- Improved health and longevity
- Better glucose level regulation
- Decreased inflammation
- Fewer cancers
- Less risk for Alzheimer's
- Improved CHD fewer cardiovascular events
- Improved blood pressure control
- Better immune function



- Who supports you?
 - In what areas do you feel well-supported?
 - What areas are lacking support?
- Who do you support?
 - Happiness isn't only gained by having support, but by providing support as well (Brown, et al)
 - How can you help?

Relationships

- With whom do you best connect?
- Are you connecting with like-minded individuals?
- Are you having positive connections?
 - Prioritize the relationship
 - Mindful
 - Present and uninterrupted
 - Listening carefully
 - Responding in encouraging ways

Session 4: Culture and Traditions

- How does your culture and identity impact your health?
- What are some teachings that relate to health?
- Traditions that are important to them?
- Share your story
- Traditional healer experience?

Session 4: Wrap-up

- Healthy Coping: Dealing with the emotions that come with managing diabetes
 - Tie-in with relationships, culture, motion, stress, etc.
- Self-Management Support: Community resources, plans for follow-up
- Goal Review
- Outcomes: A1c 8.08% \rightarrow 7.2%



Questions?

Thank you!