<u>RECLAIMING</u> <u>VITALITY</u> FIGHTING FATIGUE IN CANCER SURVIVORSHIP

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The Puyallup Tribe's Integrative Approach to Healing



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### <u>Objectives</u>

- To recognized what cancer related fatigue is.
- To discuss the origin of cancer related fatigue.
- To appreciate the incidence of cancer related fatigue.
  - To discuss strategies to overcome cancer related fatigue and to...
     **<u>RECLAIM YOUR VITALITY!</u>**

# What is Fatigue?



• Described as a mental of physical state of being tired or weak .



# What is the Origin of Fatigue?



# How Common is Fatigue?







### What is Wellness? And how do I get it?!

### WHAT IS WELLNESS?

"The state of being in good health."
"Wellness is the harmony of body, mind, and spirit".



# Wellness of the Body: The Anti-inflammatory Diet



# **Structuring Your Plate**





### Association between physical activity and mortality among breast cancer and colorectal cancer survivors: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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### **Exercise and Cancer-Specific Mortality**

### Breast cancer (pre-diagnosis PA)

West-Wright et al., 2009 (women) Friedenreich et al., 2009 (women) Cleveland et al., 2012 (women) Invin et al., 2011 (women) Enger et al., 2010 (women) Schmidt et al., 2010 (women) Invin et al., 2008 (women) Dal Maso et al., 2008 (women) Rohan et al., 2010 (women) Heilmann et al., 2010 (women)

Random effects model

### Breast cancer (post-diagnosis PA)

Holick et al., 2008 (women) Invin et al., 2011 (women) Invin et al., 2008 (women) Beasley et al., 2012 (women) Borugian et al., 2004 (women)

Random effects model

### Colorectal cancer (pre-diagnosis PA)

Kulper et al., 2012 (women) Haydon et al., 2006 (men and women) Campbell et al., 2013 (women and men) Meyerhardt et al., 2006 (women)

Random effects model

### Colorectal cancer (post-diagnosis PA)

Kulper et al., 2012 (women) Meyerhardt et al., 2006 (women) Meyerhardt et al., 2009 (men) Campbell et al., 2013 (women and men) Baade et al., 2011 (men and women)

Random effects model



(Schmid & Leitzmann Annals Onc 2014;25:1293-1311)

### **PA and All-Cause Mortality**



(Schmid & Leitzmann Annals Onc 2014;25:1293-1311)

## <u>Wellness of the Body:</u> Exercise

- Get at least 150 minutes of moderate physical activity each week(or 75 minutes of vigorous)
- Break it up if needed
- Get a buddy
- Consider electronic motivation (Fitbits, JawBone, etc)
- Do what you enjoy
- Mix it up
- Stay hydrated
- Be Sun Safer

### **Conventional Medicine**

- Talk to your doctor about other conditions that cause fatigue and if you should be tested such as:
- Anemia



• Thyroid disorders



• Adrenal disorders



• Depression



### The 6 Pricinciples of Naturopathic Medicine

Primum No Nocere ~ First, do no harm Vis Medicatrix Naturae ~ The healing power of nature Tolle Causam ~ Identify and treat the root cause Tolle Totum ~ Treat the whole person Docere ~ Physician as teacher Praeventio ~ The best cure is prevention

## Naturopathic Medicine

- Naturopathic medicine is a "distinct primary health care profession, emphasizing prevention, treatment, and optimal health through the use of therapeutic methods and substances that encourage individuals' inherent selfhealing process."
- In-depth look at contributing factors
- May recommend particular diet, vitamins, or supplements

## American Ginseng to Fight Fatigue

- Many small trials show efficacy and safety for treatment of cancer related fatigue
- 23 articles found with search of ginseng + cancer related fatigue In PUBMED
- Dose 1000mg to 2000mg daily
- Always speak with doctor prior to initiation



### Acupuncture



Acupuncture has been proven to combat cancer related fatigue.

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

### Acupuncture for cancer-related fatigue in lung cancer patients: a randomized, double blind, placebo-controlled pilot trial

Chien-shan Cheng<sup>1,2</sup> • Lian-yu Chen<sup>1,2</sup> • Zhou-yu Ning<sup>1,2</sup> • Chen-yue Zhang<sup>1,2</sup> • Hao Chen<sup>1,2</sup> • Zhen Chen<sup>1,2</sup> • Xiao-yan Zhu<sup>1,2</sup> • Jing Xie<sup>1,2</sup>

63 studies on acupuncture and cancer related fatigue in Pubmed

### WELLNESS of the MIND

- Stress can trigger hormones in your body that produce inflammation.
- Inflammation is the body's attempt at healing itself when there is a harmful substance or event however, when inflammation is present in the body for sustained periods of time chronic illness (such as cancer) can occur.





# medicine



### Chronic stress promotes tumor growth and angiogenesis in a mouse model of ovarian carcinoma

Premal H Thaker<sup>1,10</sup>, Liz Y Han<sup>1,10</sup>, Aparna A Kamat<sup>1,10</sup>, Jesusa M Arevalo<sup>2</sup>, Rie Takahashi<sup>2</sup>, Chunhua Lu<sup>1</sup>, Nicholas B Jennings<sup>1</sup>, Guillermo Armaiz-Pena<sup>1</sup>, James A Bankson<sup>3</sup>, Murali Ravoori<sup>4</sup>, William M Merritt<sup>1</sup>, Yvonne G Lin<sup>1</sup>, Lingegowda S Mangala<sup>1</sup>, Tae Jin Kim<sup>1</sup>, Robert L Coleman<sup>1</sup>, Charles N Landen<sup>1</sup>, Yang Li<sup>1</sup>, Edward Felix<sup>5</sup>, Angela M Sanguino<sup>6</sup>, Robert A Newman<sup>5</sup>, Mary Lloyd<sup>7</sup>, David M Gershenson<sup>1</sup>, Vikas Kundra<sup>4,8</sup>, Gabriel Lopez-Berestein<sup>6</sup>, Susan K Lutgendorf<sup>9</sup>, Steven W Cole<sup>2</sup> & Anil K Sood<sup>1,7</sup>

### NATURE MEDICINE VOLUME 12 | NUMBER 8 | AUGUST 2006

### Stress effects on tumor growth



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### **STRESS INVENTORY**

	Stressed (Pro-inflammatory)	Relaxed (Anti-inflammatory)
MIND	Worrying about the future Ruminating about the past Perpetual planning Negative self talk	In the present Engaging the breath Nurturing self talk
BODY	Tense muscles Shallow breath Cold, clammy hands	Relaxed muscles Deep, slow "belly" breaths Warm hands

### Stress Reduction

### • THE 4-7-8 Breath technique

- Breathe out
- Breathe in for count of 4
- Hold breath for count of 7
- Breathe out for count of 8
- <u>Many other techniques:</u>
- meditation, mindfulness, aromatherapy, exercise, laughter

# JOY

- To be joyful is to be human.
- We, like children, are meant to laugh and to play.
- Rediscover what makes you joyful.
- Set an intention for joy to be part of your life every day.
- Make a daily practice of gratitude.

### Conclusion

- Cancer Related Fatigue is the most common complaint in cancer survivorship.
- The cause is usually many different contributing factors
- Promoting wellness is the most effect tool to combating fatigue with focus on Diet, Execise, Spirit, and Joy
- Engage your doctor and other healthcare team members in a discussion about fatigue.
- Be patient: it can take time for full recovery.



# Thank you!

Contact me if you are interested in survivorship support group or classes!

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