



**OLDER ADULTS**

# What's your move?

## Physical activity can make daily life better.

When you're active and strong, it's easier to:



Do everyday tasks,  
like chores and shopping



Keep up with the grandkids



Stay independent  
as you get older

And it has big health benefits, too.

✓ Less pain

✓ Better mood

✓ Lower risk of many diseases

## What types of activity do I need?

### Moderate-intensity aerobic activity

Anything that gets your heart beating faster counts.



### Muscle-strengthening activity

Activities that make your muscles work harder than usual count.



### And mix in activities to improve your balance!

Aim for a mix of aerobic, muscle-strengthening, and balance activities.



Try activities that count as more than 1 activity type — like dancing, sports, or tai chi — to help keep your body strong and lower your risk of falls.

## Physical activity can help manage many health problems.

✓ Reduce symptoms of arthritis, anxiety, and depression

✓ Help keep diabetes and high blood pressure under control

### Just getting started?

No problem — start slow and do what you can. **Even a 5-minute walk has real health benefits.** Build up to more activity over time.

### And all sorts of activities count.



Even things you have to do anyway



Even things that don't feel like exercise

### You can get more active.

No matter your age, you can **find a way that works for you.**



So take the first step. Get a little more active each day. **Move your way.**

Find tips to get moving and build a weekly activity plan.

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