Welcome to the October Statewide Wellness Virtual Lunch and Learn

Hosted by: OSHR Worksite Wellness If you participate in the State Health Plan, you can find a nutritionist close to you by logging into your BCBSNC account or calling BCBS. Dietitian visits are covered at 100% when an in-network provider is used.

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Let's LUNCH AND LEARN!

Emotional Eating :

Finding kind ways to comfort, nurture, distract, and resolve your issues without food.



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Evidence-based Lifestyle Modification and Medical Nutrition Therapy

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- Lifestyle Medical Centers offers Nutrition Counseling to assist with educating you on how to make positive lifestyle changes alongside continual support and encouragement.
- Services offered:
- Weight Management
- Women's Health
- Sports Nutrition
- Chronic Disease Counseling
- Bariatric Support
- Smoking Cessation
- Sleep Assessment and Stress Management



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What is Emotional Eating?

- Eating in response to positive OR negative emotions. Is it always a BAD thing???
- Common examples : Eating because...
 - Stressful day at work
 - Birthday party
 - Celebrating a promotion
 - Death of a loved one



Different Types of Hunger



Different Types of Hunger cont.. **Physical Hunger** is recognized by physical hunger cues and satisfied after eating food.

Emotional Hunger is eating for emotional reasons and using food as a coping mechanism.

<u>**Taste Hunger**</u> is craving a certain food or flavor which is fulfilled by satisfying the craving.

Practical Hunger is eating at a convenient time to prepare for later hunger.

Hunger Scale : Honoring Hunger + Respecting Fullness





Tackling stress head on



Making peace with food



Working through "All or None" thinking



Avoid skipping meals / undereating



Having a plan when it comes to meals and snacks



Getting a good night's sleep



Aim to eat without distractions

Making more Intentional Food Choices..

Non-Food Coping Mechanisms











Putting it all to practice: what are some of your barriers to change?



To Do List



- Busy Schedule
- Budget
- Fatigue
- Sedentary job
- Lack of motivation
- Putting others first
- Lack of support from others

Self Care : More focus on YOU!

- Intentionally move your body every day
- Balanced meals and hydration
- Better sleep hygiene avoiding blue lights / screens before bed
- Schedule time for relaxation
- Practice gratitude for yourself and others
- Focus on positivity
- Work on maintaining and building connection with others



Something to think about...



What is Intuitive Eating?

Intuitive Eating is a self-care eating framework, which integrates instinct, emotion, and rational thought. Created by two RD's in 1995 (Evelyn Tribole and Elyse Rech).





Let's Cook! Black Bean Brownies